

Five Dead in Mystery Fire

Father May Have Murdered Wife and Daughters and Committed Suicide

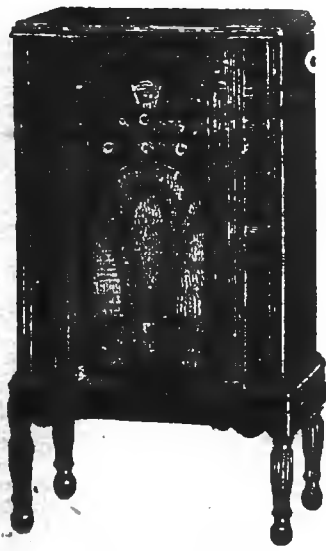
LANCASTER, S. C., March 5.—Officers here tonight examined the charred bodies of five persons in an effort to determine the exact manner of their deaths. The dead, whose bodies were removed early today from the smolders of their burned home, were James Leonard Rush, 64; his wife, Mrs. Cynthia Crawley Rush, 48, and their three daughters, Mae, 16; Ruby, 13, and Ruth, 9. Officers at first reported that Rush killed his wife and children and then committed suicide. But a coroner's jury, not finding a weapon which Rush might have used on himself, returned a verdict of death at the hands of unknown parties. The heads of the mother and three girls had been crushed, apparently by blows from a piece of iron found near their bodies, but Rush's body was so badly burned the cause of his death was hard to determine. Neighbors heard a girl scream, "Don't do that, papa," about 1:30 a. m., and saw a man draw her back in the house and extinguish all lights, but no investigation was made for three hours, when flames began to envelop the structure. Three of the bodies were quickly recovered, but those of the father and elder daughter could not be brought out until the flames had died down. Physicians testified Rush had suffered from illness and mental depression for some months. Rush was a native of Columbus, Ga., and his wife was from Huntsville, Ala. Two married sons, Arthur and Leonard, survive. Funeral services for the five dead will be held from the Lucas Avenue Baptist church tomorrow afternoon. The word electricity was coined by Queen Elizabeth's physician, William Gilbert.

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Vanishing Husband Left Many 'Brides'

Vanishing Fortunes Also Figured In Amazing Swindle In Europe

WARSAW, March 1.—Vanishing fortunes, a vanishing husband, and vanishing ink—these are the elements of one of the most amazing swindles ever revealed on the continent of Europe. It has been successfully practiced by Jan Sterich on 49 occasions—and 49 "brides" are reeling the day when they gave their hands and fortunes into his keeping. And the most amazing feature of the whole case is that although Sterich is badly "wanted" for bigamy and check frauds, the police cannot take action against him. There is not a single visible line on any document he wrote that can be used to convict him. For year, apparently, Sterich has been specializing in getting acquainted with rich women persuading them to marry him, and then vanishing with their property. After the marriage ceremony he would produce a magnificent gold-mounted fountain pen with which to sign the register. And all his incriminating love letters were written with the same pen. Forty-nine marriage certificates which he signed have been traced, but there is no evidence of his signature. And hundreds of letters have been produced by his dupes. But again, there is no sign of handwriting. Checks which he cashed with tradesmen have also come into the hands of the police, but the signature space is blank in every case. Sterich's secret was the vanishing ink with which he filled his fountain pen. His swindle was not discovered until for the 15th time he led a rich young bride to the altar. The clergyman insisted that Sterich should sign the register with the pen supplied by the clerk, and, in the scene that followed the swindler was arrested.

"Business Never Better" Maytag Officials State

"Since January first our factory has been working to capacity. Our present daily output is greater than at any time in the history of the company," stated Mr. E. H. Maytag, washing machine manufacturer of Newton, Iowa Monday. The entire national sales organization of The Maytag Company has been notified that until further notice no more new dealers were to be signed because of the flood of orders already on hand. Mr. Maytag announced this notice "as a matter of fairness to our dealers in view of the company's present inability to make prompt shipment of orders." Such a statement, coming from one of the world's largest manufacturers of washing machines, is a clear indication of better times on the way.

Carter To Have Charge Kiwanis Program Friday

D. J. Carter, local publisher, will have charge of the program at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Kiwanis Club tomorrow at Hotel Wilkes. The club meets promptly at 12:05.

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NURSERY NOTES

By FLOYD M. JENNINGS

When To Prune Deciduous Plants—Roses

1. There is no closed season on the removal of dead wood. Take it out any time, the sooner the better.
2. Very heavy pruning, such as topping back (dehorning) large shade trees and fruit trees, should always be done in late February or March, before the sap begins to flow.
3. A very fair guide to results of pruning can be determined if you will keep in mind that March pruning generally tends to produce more wood growth the following season and that summer pruning (June-July) stimulates the production of fruit and bloom buds for next season's crop.
4. If blooms are gone in April or early May another perfectly safe rule in pruning shrubs where more bloom and character of growth is desired is to prune soon after the flowers are gone. The holds true in all cases except with the very late blooming shrubs which cannot be pruned till the following spring.

Pruning Roses

1. Garden roses include hybridas, hybrid perpetual, polyantha and other classes of more or less constant blooming varieties. Flowers are always produced on wood formed the same season. Therefore, the more of last year's wood you cut out, the more your roses will grow and the more and larger flowers you will produce. Prune in March or early April, depending upon the season and the latitude in which you are located. Prune as soon as you can remove the earth bank, used for winter protection, from the plants and before the buds break open. Pick out four to seven of the strongest canes of last year's growth, depending upon the age of the plant. Cut these back to within six or eight inches of the ground so that each of these cut back canes has not more than six to eight buds. Cut out and entirely remove all other branches. Then you have big, lovely roses practically all the summer.
2. Climbing Roses produce flowers on wood of the previous year's growth. In spring, remove all dead wood and surplus branches and cut back all other branches about one third their total length. After the blooming season is over, cut out one third to one half of the new growth and if you have an old cane to spare, from ground up, cut it out entirely. Then you have veritable "bowers of roses."
Next issue: Pruning Hedges, and Evergreens.

Wilkesboro Teams Win 2 From Roaring River

Wilkesboro high school cage teams won a doubleheader from Roaring River on the latter's court Tuesday afternoon. The Wilkesboro sextet came through with a 16 to 3 triumph, while the boys marched away to a 17 to 9 victory.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

North Carolina, Wilkes county. By virtue of a power contained in a certain mortgage deed executed to William Saunders by J. L. Turner, (widower), on May 19th, 1930, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Wilkes county in Book 161, page 119, on certain real estate located in the Town of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, to secure certain sums of money mentioned in said Mortgage Deed, and said debt being due and payment demanded and refused, I, the undersigned, Executrix of William Saunders, deceased will on Monday, April 2nd, 1934, at one o'clock p. m. at the Court House Door in Wilkesboro, N. C. offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Beginning at a stake on the north side of B Street 50 feet from the North East corner of B and Sixth Streets and running northwardly parallel with Sixth Street 140 feet to an alley; thence eastwardly along the south side of said alley 25 feet to a stake; thence southwardly parallel with sixth street 140 feet to a stake on the north side of B Street; thence westwardly along the north side of B Street 25 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3500 square feet and having a frontage of 25 feet on the north side of B Street and of that width running northwardly parallel with Sixth Street 140 feet to an alley. Said land being described and known as lot 27 in block 33 on the map of the Town of North Wilkesboro, N. C. and being the house and lot on which the said J. L. Turner lives and conducts his business.

This 28th day of Feb., 1934.
MRS. ELLEN SAUNDERS, Executrix of William Saunders, Deceased. 3-29-34
By Jones and Brown, Attys.

Summit News

SUMMIT, March 5.—Mr. and Mrs. Lee J. Church and son, Corp. of Summit, were in North Wilkesboro Monday on business. Misses Eva Kight, Deasie Church and Veda Love, of this community, were welcome visitors in the home of Mr. C. C. Mikael's.

Misses Nina and Rosa Church spent a short while in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee J. Church's, Sunday evening.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Sarah Carnett is very ill in the home of her sister, Mrs. W. A. Bengs. We hope for her an early recovery.

The measles epidemic still continues in this community. Also quite a bit of flu and colds.

Mrs. Fannie Church, of this community, spent Sunday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mikael.

Mr. H. C. Kight, of Summit, visited in the home of Mr. N. C. Mikael Sunday morning.

Mr. Fred Blankenship, of Harley, was a visitor in this community, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Church, of Patton's Ridge, spent Sunday evening in the home of Mr. Church's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee J. Church.

Mr. J. A. Kees, of Summit, visited his brother, Mr. Martin Kees, Sunday evening.

Odell Whittington Breaks Right Arm

Mechanic in Care Of Wilkes School Busses Suffers Injury Cranking Bus

Odell Whittington, mechanic in charge of the school busses for the board of education, broke his right arm Tuesday morning while cranking a bus. Mr. Whittington will be unable to look after all of his duties for sometime as a result of the injury.

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Three Committees Vacancies Filled

Board of Education in Regular Session Monday; All Members Now Fully Present

Three vacancies on sub-district school committees caused by resignations were filled by the board of education at its regular monthly session Monday. Clarence

Collins was appointed to the vacancy on the Board school committee and Parson Parks and Claude Hale were named members of the Union school committee in Somers township. Routine business took up most of the session. All members, C. O. McNeill, chairman, D. F. Shepherd and E. R. Church, were present. Read Journal-Patriot Ads.

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If you are suffering from Chronic Constipation, would you give 79c to rectify the very cause of constipation?
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