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## SHIP GOES ASHORE

### Disastrous Shipwreck In the Straits of Magellan.

#### 51 LOSE THEIR LIVES

Pacific Navigation Company's Steamer Lima Driven Ashore on Island and Pilot and Fifty Passengers Lost Their Lives.

Santiago, Chili.—The Pacific Navigation Company's steamer Lima went ashore on one of the islands of the Huamblin passage of the straits of Magellan and will probably be a total loss.

The British steamer Hathumet rescued 205 of the persons aboard the stranded steamer, but was forced to leave 88 persons aboard, whom it was impossible to rescue.

The stranded steamer Lima is a British vessel owned in Liverpool and plying between that port and the ports of South America. She was last reported as sailing from Bahia Bianca, Argentina, on January 25, and was on her way to Chilean and Peruvian ports.

The Lima is 401 feet long, registers 2,115 tons and was built in Glasgow in 1907.

The place where the steamer was wrecked is probably Huamblad passage, located between the south shore of San Pedro island in Chili. It is a narrow passage, full of dangers and very difficult of navigation. Huamblin rocks, two in number of 65 feet high mark the entrance to this passage.

#### OVERCOME BY GAS.

### Cleveland, Ohio, Woman Was Writing to Brother When Death Came.

Cleveland, Ohio.—Lying on the floor, face forward, her arms stretched toward the door she could not reach, Mrs. Caroline Pretzer was found dead in her home. She had been asphyxiated by the fumes of burned natural gas.

On a table was a letter which she had begun writing to her brother, the Rev. Frederick Kretz, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The last lines that she had written read:

"I am beginning to feel very tired. Something is wrong."

Here the writing wavered. The last words were almost illegible. "I am getting ill," she had written. "I am unable to write more tonight," the words trailed off irregularly, "I must put it aside and finish it tom—"

Apparently at this point she had arisen from her chair and tottering toward the door for aid, had fallen and died.

#### FLORIDA TORNADO.

### Severe Storm Sweeps Over Central Part of the State.

Tampa, Fla.—News of a hurricane that swept central Florida has reached here. From reports obtainable, it is indicated that the storm was of a tornado nature.

Several small towns north of Lakeland suffered most. A village two miles north of Lakeland was practically wrecked. Thirty persons who were in the railway station above Lakeland when the storm came were caught in the wreckage when the building collapsed, and more or less injured.

#### 30,000 VACCINATED.

### Atlanta Uses Over a Thousand Dollars Worth of Vaccine Points.

Atlanta.—Approximately 30,000 persons have been vaccinated within the past ten days, according to an estimate made by Dr. J. P. Kennedy, city health officer.

Dr. Kennedy states that the office of the board of health has used 25,000 vaccine points within the past ten days and this number does not include vaccine points used by other physicians in the city, whose points have been secured through the board of health department.

#### White Slave Bill Passed.

Washington.—The senate has passed the Bennett "white slave" bill, in almost the same form as it passed the house.

#### WOMEN HURT IN PANIC.

### In Driving Snowstorm River Boat Collides With Bar.

Greenville, Miss.—Several women were hurt in the first rush that followed the collision of the Morrissy line steamer Belle of the Bends at Fetler's landing.

The collision, which occurred in a driving snowstorm, drove the big river steamer half way across the bar, almost splitting her in halves.

The crash awoke the passengers and before the crew could lower the boats a panic had seized the steamer.

Of the 40 passengers many were women, who had to be forcibly restrained from leaping into the river on a chance of reaching the shore. When boats were lowered the passengers were safely removed.

The Belle of the Bends was on her way to Greenville from Vicksburg. She was driven from her course by the wind and lost her bearings in the snow.

The steamer was the finest operating on the river below St. Louis.

#### REJECTED LOVER'S DEED.

### Fatally Wounded Girl He Loved and Her Father by Shooting.

Tylertown, Miss.—Sheriff's posse and dogs are searching the country for Sylvester Bearden, who killed fatally wounded two of the Walker children because Walker refused to permit the marriage between his daughter, Inez, and Bearden.

The rejected suitor forced his way into Walker's house, it is said. When Walker renewed his objection to his presence, Bearden took down a shotgun and mortally wounded his sweetheart and her father. He then hit the children with the clubbed weapon. Bearden is 25 years old.

#### SCIENTISTS UNEASY.

### Believe Eruption of Volcano Poas Will Cause Earthquakes.

Port Limon.—Scientists here in San Jose see in the eruption of the volcano Poas a forecast of earthquakes in Central America and the canal zone that may work great havoc to the canal. Warnings will be sent to Washington advising the strengthening of the canal works in the most vulnerable places.

The eruption of Poas has ceased. There were eighty deaths, most of which occurred in villages near the base of the crater. Most of the deaths were caused by stones shot out from the crater. Some of these rocks weighed 200 pounds.

#### CRIMINAL WAVE IN ST. LOUIS.

### Over Seven Hundred Robberies Reported in 21 Days.

St. Louis.—While the police department has been busy for the past three weeks investigating itself because of a shortage of between \$17,500 and \$25,000 in the Relief Association funds, criminals have been having a merry time. For twenty-one days, 728 robberies have been entered on the police records. Included in the list of crimes for the period are 149 burglaries, 485 robberies by sneak thieves and 23 highway robberies.

#### Victim of Cruel Outrage.

DeLand, Fla.—The fourteen-year-old daughter of Perry Tedder was found dead in the front yard of her home at Glenwood. She had been stabbed during her parents' absence, and the indications are that she had been outraged. A negro, under suspicion, is being hunted by a sheriff's posse.

#### Probably Frozen to Death.

Irwinville, Ga.—L. C. Fussell, of this place, was found dead in the woods, about two miles from his home. Mr. Fussell was a prominent ex-turpentine operator and well known. The cause of his death is unknown, but he was probably frozen.

#### Bank Robber Got \$2,000.

San Bernardino, Cal.—A lone highwayman held up the officials of the First National bank of Highland, a small town six miles from here, and helped himself to \$2,000. He escaped with the money after engaging in a pistol duel with Cashier McTaylor.

## HARVEST OF DEATH

### Passengers and Crew Victims of Wild Waves.

#### 156 PERSONS PERISHED

### French Liner Is Lost in One of the Worst Storms That Has Ever Swept Mediterranean Sea; Only One Person Was Saved.

Palma, Island of Majorca.—Driven helplessly from her course in one of the wildest storms that has swept the Mediterranean sea in forty years, the French Trans-Atlantic Steamship Company's steamer General Chanzy crashed at full speed, in the dead of night, on the treacherous reefs near the island of Minorca, and all but one of the 157 souls on board perished.

The sole survivor is an Algerian customs official, Marcel Rodet, who was rescued by a fisherman, and who lies in the hospital at Chateaufort, raving as a result of the tortures through which he passed, and unable to give an account of the disaster. In the ship's company there were eighty-seven passengers, of whom thirty were in the first cabin. The crew numbered seventy. It is not thought that any Americans were aboard the liner.

The ship was in command of Captain Cayol, one of the most careful officers of the line. In his long experience he had never before met with an accident. He had intended to retire from the service in the near future.

The passengers of the Chanzy were mostly French officers and officials returning to their post in Algeria, accompanied by their wives and children; a few soldiers came Italians and Turks and one priest.

The General Chanzy sailed from Marseilles Wednesday at noon, and was due to arrive at Algiers Thursday afternoon.

#### HEIRS DISAPPOINTED.

### Long-Sealed Chest Contained Nothing But Old Papers.

Memphis, Tenn.—Instead of the anticipated treasure, the heirs of the late Joseph Specht found only papers of a personal and historical nature when they forced open a wooden casket deposited by Specht a quarter of a century ago.

And the opening of the casket was premature, it developed, the instructions found within the box which was encased in lead, indicating that the casket should not have been opened until 1975.

After the family documents were distributed the box was re-sealed and re-deposited to remain intact until 65 years hence when doubtless another group, just as expectant, will witness the re-breaking of the seal.

#### "OLD CAP" DEFIED OFFICERS.

"King of the Feudists," Though 80 Years Old, Can Still Shoot a Rifle. Bluefield, W. Va.—"Old Cap" Hatfield, the "king of the feudists," held off United States deputy marshals and a deputy sheriff, who attempted to arrest him for moonshining near his home at War Eagle.

When Hatfield discovered the approach of the officers, he stood in the doorway of his home, it is said, and emptied his rifle at them. The two men beat a hasty retreat and neither was hit. Hatfield is past 80 years of age and his hand was a little shaky as he held the heavy rifle.

#### No Trace of Lost Ship.

Port Louis, Island of Mauritius.—A steamer which had been dispatched on a wide search for the British-India Steamship company's steamer Loodiana, has returned, having found no trace of the missing vessel. The Loodiana sailed from here January 19 for Colombo, with ten Europeans and 70 native passengers.

#### Mangled to Death.

Mobile, Ala.—William Stephens, connected with a big lumber mill at Brewton, Ala., near here, was caught on the saw carriage and mangled almost beyond recognition.

#### JEKYL-HYDE CASE.

### Little Pays Penalty of Death in Electric Chair.

Richmond, Va.—Howard Little, who murdered Mrs. Betsy Justice, her son-in-law, George Meadows, and the latter's wife and three children in their home near Hurley, Buchanan county, last September, was put to death by electrocution in the penitentiary here without unusual incident.

Little confessed to the Rev. J. R. Johnson, pastor of the Venable Street Baptist church, that he killed George McKinney several years ago and committed several other crimes for which he had not been tried. The others Mr. Johnson would not disclose.

Most murderers are executed for single murders; Howard Little has seven to his account. There were six in the wholesale butchery for which he was sentenced to die in the electric chair here—a man, two women and three children of the latter couple, all killed together in Buchanan county one night last fall.

Little was no ordinary "low-browed" criminal. He bore an excellent reputation in the community in which he lived, and a number of friends still believe in his innocence. His character seems to have been strikingly different to the Dr. Jekyll-Mr. Hyde order, to one side being attributed the atrocious crime which brought him to the shadow of ignominious death, the other being such a nature as to hold the friends who stood by him until the last.

#### PIPE LINES TO GULF.

### Senate Passes Bill to Allow Construction Through Public Lands.

Washington.—The senate has passed the bill, which has been bitterly opposed by Senator Davis, of Arkansas, to permit the construction of oil pipe lines through public lands of Arkansas from the Oklahoma field into Texas.

The measure is believed to have been advocated by the Standard Oil Company to enable it to get its products to the Gulf.

#### ATHENS MAN KILLS SELF.

### B. H. Sims, Despondent Over Ill Health, Commits Suicide.

Athens, Ga.—Kissing his wife and 11-year-old son good-bye, B. H. Sims, at his home on Hancock avenue, placed a pistol to his head and shot himself. He died in ten minutes.

Beyond the fact that he was in ill health, no other reason is known for Sims' act. He was 43 years old. He is survived by his wife, and one son and a daughter.

#### Amorous Elected President.

Atlanta.—Martin F. Amorous, the Sixth ward's former representative in the city council, who resigned in November to accept the office of general manager for the Arlepeka saw-mills in Florida, has been elected president of the Tampa Northern railroad. In his new office Mr. Amorous succeeds C. F. Ayer, of Boston, who resigned February 1.

#### Groom 68, Bride 19.

Carrollton, Ga.—The marriage of E. G. Kramer and Miss Ruth Brock was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Brock, Rev. W. E. Dozier officiating. The groom is 68 years of age and the bride 19. Mr. Kramer has been a resident of Carrollton county many years, and is vice president of the First National bank.

#### Rockefeller Gives \$100,000.

Cleveland.—John D. Rockefeller has given \$100,000 to the Young Men's Christian Association here to start off their two weeks' campaign for a half million dollars improvement fund.

#### Sentenced to Hang.

Savannah, Ga.—Eugene Roberts, colored, has been sentenced to be hanged March 11 for the murder of Louise Duncan.

#### \$50,000 of Antiques Burned.

Winsted, Conn.—Colonial furniture and antique furnishings valued at more than \$50,000 were destroyed in a fire which burned down the old Whittlesey mansion at Canan, Conn., according to a dispatch.

## SOUTHEARN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Operating the Transylvania Railroad. Effective 12:01 a. m. Sunday, Sept. 26, '09. Time Table No. 6

No. S. Daily.	Eastern Standard Time	No. N. Daily.
STATIONS		
P. M.		A. M.
4 35	Lv. Hendersonville, Ar.	10 10
4 45	Yale	9 48
4 51	Horse Shoes	9 44
4 59	Cannon	9 39
5 05	Etowah	9 35
5 11	Biantrye	9 28
5 17	Penree	9 21
5 25	Davidson River	9 13
5 30	Pisgah Forest	9 10
5 40	Brevard, Lv.	8 50
5 53	Selma	8 56
6 01	Cherryfield	
6 04	Calvert	
6 10	Rosman	
6 25	Quebec	
6 35	Reid's	
6 45 A. M.	Lake Towaway, Lv.	8 00

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## County Government.

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Clerk Superior Court—T. T. Loftis.  
Sheriff and Tax Collector—C. C. Kilpatrick.  
Treasurer—Z. W. Nicholls.  
Register of Deeds—B. A. Gillespie.  
Coroner—Dr. W. J. Wallis.  
Surveyor—A. L. Hardin.  
Commissioners—W. M. Henry, Ch'n; G. T. Lyday; W. E. Galloway.  
Superintendent of Schools—T. C. Henderson.  
Physician—Dr. Goode Cheatham.  
Attorney—R. L. Gash.

## Town Government.

Mayor—W. E. Breese, jr.  
Board of Aldermen—T. H. Shipman, J. M. Kilpatrick, T. M. Mitchell, F. L. DeVane, E. W. Carter.  
Marshal—J. A. Galloway.  
Clerk and Tax Collector—T. H. Galloway.  
Treasurer—T. H. Shipman.  
Health Officer—Dr. C. W. Hunt.  
Attorney—W. W. Zachary.  
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## Entry No. 2558.

North Carolina—Transylvania County.  
C. W. Hunt enters and claims 100 acres of land more or less lying in Dunn's Rock Township, adjoining the lands of Ed Batson and others. Beginning on a black oak on the north side of Wolf Pen Mountain, in the old Candler line, marked corner, and runs various courses and distances, so as to take all the vacant land. Entered Dec. 21st, 1909. B. A. GILLESPIE, Entry Taker.

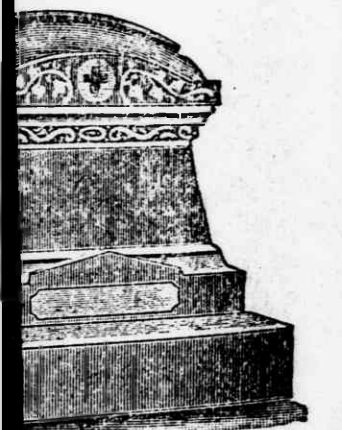
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