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FATAL AUTO-TRAIN COLLISION SUNDAY EVENING

Car in Which Mr. B. C. Shuford and Party Were Riding Struck by No. 12 Two Killed.

One of the saddest accidents that has happened in this city for many years occurred at the crossing near Mr. J. B. Johnson's residence in Longview Sunday evening when two children were killed and four other occupants of an automobile were injured when passenger train No. 12 struck the automobile. The car was driven by Mr. B. C. Shuford, manager of the Brookford Cotton mill store and was occupied by his two children—Carl, aged 5, and Ruth, aged three years, and by Mrs. Shuford, Miss Bettie Holly and Miss Lola Monday.

The two children were instantly killed. Mr. Shuford suffered a broken leg and bruised head, while the three ladies were only slightly bruised. Mr. Shuford was brought to Hickory and taken to the Richard Baker hospital where the attending physicians state that he has a splendid chance for recovery. The bodies of the children were prepared for burial by Undertaker Shuford and were taken to Palm Tree Church near Henry yesterday for burial. Rev. W. N. Cook conducting the funeral services.

Just how the accident occurred is not clear, but it is gathered from reports that they approached the track unaware of the oncoming train and just as they got on the track were warned of their danger by some person standing near. Mr. Shuford stopped and attempted to back off when the engine choked down. The ladies had by this time gotten out of the car and it is due to this probably that they escaped injury.

The automobile was hurled to one side and demolished and its occupants scattered. The little girl was thrown to one side of the track and was dead when picked up. The boy's body was found on the pilot of the engine after it had been stopped and backed to where the automobile was stuck.

The train was in charge of Conductor Hanger and Engineer W. W. Pitts was at the throttle. Mr. Pitts was very much affected by the accident and great tears were coursing down his cheeks when the train pulled out from Hickory. He stated that he did not see the car at all and was not aware that he had struck anything until he was notified by others of the train crew, as the automobile approached the track from the opposite side to which he was on.

The accident cast a sorrowful gloom over the entire community and everybody was expressing

sympathy for the family. The two children were extremely bright and cheerful and were all that their parents had. To the bereaved parents we especially wish to express for the entire community heartfelt and genuine sympathy for them in this sad bereavement.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. Weston Finger and bride, from Texas are in the city on an extended visit to his mother, Mrs. Clara Finger and other relatives in the surrounding country.

Miss Clara Patrick is the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. C. Kelly.

Mrs. W. B. Ramsay went to Montreat Friday, to attend the missionary convention held there.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church have formed a Reading Circle to meet every Wednesday afternoon for six weeks at 4:30, at the home of the different members. They will read several books on Home and Foreign Missions. They met Wednesday with Mrs. J. G. Garth, and spent a very pleasant and profitable afternoon. The hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Garth, Mrs. E. B. Jones and Miss Fannie Penn White, and they served delicious cake and cream. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Edgar Yoder on Wednesday, July 21.

Rev. J. E. Barb will preach at Highland Graded School house next Sunday at 8 o'clock p. m. Everybody is cordially invited to come out and hear him.

Rev. and Mrs. West and Miss May West, of Asheville, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. M. West this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jenkins, who have been visiting friends in the city, left Saturday for their home in McAdenville.

Mr. John W. Zimmerman of Charlotte, was severely injured recently when his auto overturned on the road between here and Catawba River. Three ladies who were in the car with him were uninjured. The accident occurred near the Hanna house just on this side of the river. Mr. Zimmerman had taken his hands off the steering wheel when the car went off the embankment. The road at that place is one of the best in the county, but no road is safe for an automobile driver unless he is in complete control of the car.

Mr. Caney Hunsucker and family motored to Hickory a few days ago in their new Ford, and spent the day with their sister, Mrs. A. A. Yoder.

Misses Imogene Finger and Charlotte Garth spent Saturday in the country with Mr. Charlie Finger and family.

Mr. A. A. Yoder is having his house on Fifteenth Street remodeled.

Mrs. Dr. Farrar of De Soto, Mo., is expected in the city next week to visit her daughter, Mrs. T. C. Blackburn.

Miss Margaret McComb has returned from an extended trip to the Panama exposition, and reports a delightful trip, though in some places the weather was very warm, and in others bitterly cold, and snow fell at one place.

The last episode of the Million Dollar Mystery will be shown at the Hub Theatre on Friday evening, July 23. Be sure to attend, as the Mystery will be solved at that time, and you cannot afford to miss this, as every reel will be full of interest.

Mr. O. V. Hefner, of Bluefield, W. Va., returned to his home Sunday, after spending some time here with his parents. He left his children here, where they will stay till he and Mrs. Hefner return from a trip to the Panama exposition. He paid the Democrat office a pleasant call, and in renewing his subscription he said he enjoyed reading the Democrat, as it gave all the news of Hickory and surrounding country.

Rev. J. G. Garth went to Newton Monday to attend a meeting of the ministers to discuss Sabbath observance.

Mr. Frank Propst of Hickory, Route 2, died in a hospital at Baltimore, Md., Sunday night when he had been carried for an operation for abscess of the brain. The body is expected to arrive here today on No. 11, and the funeral will probably be held at St. Stephen's Church either today or tomorrow.

Dr. J. M. L. Lyerly and daughter, Miss Maye Lyerly, are in the city in the interest of Claremont College. Dr. Lyerly will have charge of school and Miss Maye will be one of the teachers.

Dr. J. H. Shuford went to Marion Monday to attend court, having been summons there as a witness.

Quite a number of Connelly Springs guests were in the city yesterday.

The Southern Railway Company will operate a special excursion to Asheville Saturday, July 24. Fare for round trip from Hickory will be \$1.25, and the train will pass here at 8:00 a. m. This is a splendid chance for a day's outing in the mountain city at a little cost.

Mr. J. A. Patrick of Gaston county spent the week-end with his sister, Mrs. A. C. Kelly.

Mrs. N. E. Aull of Estill, S. C., and Mr. George Kirkpatrick are visiting their mother L. G. Kirkpatrick.

Miss Gertrude Hall spent Sunday with relatives in the city.

LEO FRANK ATTACKED AND SERIOUSLY CUT

Throat Was Sliced by William Green, Who is Serving Life Term.

Milledgeville, Ga., July 17.—Leo M. Frank, whose death sentence for the murder of Mary Phagan recently commuted to life imprisonment, was attacked by another prisoner at the State prison farm here tonight and seriously injured by being cut in the throat.

Prison officials said that the attack on Frank was made by William Green, who also is serving a life term for murder. Frank's recovery is said to be doubtful.

The attack on Frank, which was made shortly after eleven o'clock, was made from behind, a butcher knife being the weapon used. Frank's left jugular vein was cut, but neither the spinal cord nor wind pipe were injured.

Mrs. Hettie Scott, of Mebane, is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. B. R. Holden.

Mr. Robert Jordan, of Franklin, Tenn., has obtained a position with the Home Canner Co. We gladly welcome this young man to our city.

Miss Beatrice Hall of Mooresville, is the guest of Miss Millie Kate McComb.

Mr. B. M. Schlotter of Macon, Ga., spent the week-end with Mrs. H. D. Abernethy. He is one of 8 missionaries who will leave for Africa last of July, being sent out by the Southern Presbyterian church.

Misses Janie and Ellen Stuart Menzies have returned from a pleasant visit to Miss Mildred Strachan, in Salisbury.

Mrs. Fred Seagle of Gastonia, is spending some time in the city with relatives.

Mrs. Bascom Blackwelder and children, Mrs. Hugh D'Anna and children, and Miss Katherine Menzies and Miss Lena Warlick are spending some time in Blowing Rock.

Mrs. Hanna of Charlotte, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. L. Springs.

No Damages Allowed.

Newton, July 17.—The jury in the case of Taylor against the Carolina and Northwestern railway today returned a verdict of no damages, both Taylor and railroad being at fault.

Garland Travis, who broke jail here June 9 with Reuben Fry, was arrested here this morning in the home of his mother, in north Newton, by Jailer J. O. Gilbert, and placed in jail again. Travis and Fry broke jail about the middle of the afternoon June 9 and led the officers a hot foot race through the fields west of town, making good their escape.

Land for Sale.

265 acres, 4 miles north of Hickory on sand clay road, adjoining the Catawba river on the west and crossing Falling Creek on the east, known as the T. P. Cloninger farm. About one-half heavily timbered, near 75 acres bottom land. Will sell as a whole or in tracks viz:

41 1-2 acres between sand clay road and river, 62 acres between sand clay road and river, 36 1-2 acres between sand clay road and river, 16 1-2 acres adjoining sand clay road and crossing creek, 83 1-2 acres adjoining sand clay road and crossing creek, 75 acres adjoining sand clay road and crossing creek.

Total tract is well watered and all tillable. Will sell reasonable and give time on part if desired. See me at one mile north of Hickory on sand clay road. I can show the land any work day. Phone 3801--2 rings. Address R. F. D. No. 2, Hickory, N. C.

T. P. Cloninger, Owner.

Portsmouth-Norfolk Excursion via Seaboard Tuesday August 3, 1915.

The Seaboard Air Line will operate their next excursion Portsmouth-Norfolk Tuesday August 3, 1915, from Rutherfordton, Charlotte, Lumberton, Chester and all intermediate stations to Cary, fare for round trip from Charlotte \$4.50, train leaves Rutherfordton 4:40 p. m., Charlotte 7:50 p. m., arriving Portsmouth next morning at 8:30 a. m. Returning leave Portsmouth Thursday night 8:00 p. m., August 5. Pullman sleepers on this train make reservations early apply Jas. Ker, Jr., T. P. A., Charlotte, first class equipment. Special coaches for colored people. For further information see small flyers, call on your nearest agent or write undersigned.

John T. West, Jas. Ker, Jr., D. P. A., T. P. A., Raleigh, N. C. Charlotte, N. C.

WILMINGTON EXCURSION VIA SEABOARD JULY 22

The Seaboard Air Line will operate an excursion Thursday, July 22, on their regular train No. 14 leaving Charlotte at 5 a. m., and returning leave Wilmington on their regular train Saturday, July 24, at 4:05 p. m., arriving Charlotte 12:10 a. m. Fare for the round trip will be from Charlotte \$3.50. This will give a most delightful outing at the seashore. Tickets will be on sale at all stations Charlotte to Lumberton, inclusive. For further information call on your nearest agent or write John T. West, D. P. A., Raleigh, N. C., or James Ker, Jr., T. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.

Impure blood runs you down—makes you an easy victim for disease. For pure blood and sound digestion—Burdock Blood Bitters. At drug stores. Price \$1.00.

Russian Ships Bag Submarine

London, July 16.—The German submarine U-51 has been sunk in the Black sea by Russian warships, according to information received from Varna, a Bulgarian port on the Black sea, says an Athens dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

The U-51 gained fame by eluding the British blockade and passing through the Straits of Gibraltar on its way from Wilhelmshaven, the great German naval base, to operate against the allied ships in the Dardanelles. The submarine is credited with sinking several vessels belonging to the allies, including the British battleship Majestic.

The British blockading fleet at Gibraltar was reported to have been warned of the approach of the submarine but failed to stop her. The U-51 later passed through the Sea of Marmora and reported to the commander at Constantinople.

If the report of the destruction of the submarine is true the craft evidently went from the Turkish capital through the Bosphorus, probably to operate against the Russian Black sea fleet.

EVERY STREET IN HICKORY

Has Its Share Of Proof That Kidney Suffers Seek.

Backache? Kidneys weak? Distressed with urinary ills? Want a reliable kidney remedy? Don't have to look far. Use what Hickory people recommend. Every street in Hickory has its cases. Here's one Hickory woman's experience.

Let Mrs. L. M. Thomas, 729 Tenth Ave., tell it. She says: "Some time ago I was down with backache, brought on, I believe, by kidney trouble. The pain bothered me, particularly in the morning. After I got up and around for awhile, the trouble wore off, but appeared again the next morning. My ankles also became swollen. I heard Doan's Kidney Pills highly recommended and I got a supply at Lutz's Drug Store. They gave me relief from the first and two boxes removed the trouble." Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Thomas had. Fostet-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

10,000 Chinese Die in Floods

Hong Kong, July 16.—Ten thousand natives, it is estimated, have been drowned by the floods in three Chinese provinces, and the desolation in the devastated districts is terrible, according to late reports.

For regular action of the bowels; easy natural movements, relief of constipation, try Doan's Regulets. 25c at all stores.

A fellow with an engagement ring, is pretty sure to get the glad hand from some girl.

SHIP NARROWLY ESCAPES FATE OF LUSITANIA

Cunard Liner Orduna Attacked By Submarine—Americans on Board.

New York, July 17.—The Cunard liner Orduna, from Liverpool, to New York, with 227 passengers, including 22 Americans, was attacked, without warning by a German submarine on the morning of July 9, it was learned on her arrival here today.

Twenty miles from the graveyard of the Lusitania off Old Head of Kinsale, the Orduna escaped the Lusitania's fate by one-half a second of time or 10 feet of space, the German torpedo churning the water that distance behind the liner's rudder. Then the Orduna sped away. She was followed by the submarine which rose to the surface, manned a gun and shelled the fleeing steamer.

The attack was timed at 10 minutes to 6 o'clock in the morning when all but a few of her passengers were asleep. Aroused by stewards, the passengers dressed hurriedly and went to the upper deck where they donned life belts and took their places at the life boats. They heard the scream of the shells and saw the ocean spit up columns of water where the missiles struck. When the fire grew hot they were ordered, for their own protection, to the next deck below.

For half an hour the Orduna showed her heels to the assailant. Through marine glasses the passengers watched the low lying German warship coming on, but the Orduna's flight was faster than the pursuit and after seven shots had been fired without effect the submarine gave up the chase.

Taber of Brown University Breaks one Mile Record.

Cambridge, Mass., July 16.—The fastest recorded mile ever ran by man was the athletic feat of Norman S. Taber, formerly of Brown university, in the Harvard stadium today. His time was four minutes 12 3-5 seconds. Taber was paced by three fast middle distance runners. The first quarter was made in 58 seconds, the second in 67 seconds, the third in 68 seconds, and the fourth in 59 3-5 seconds.

W. H. Meanix, formerly of Colby college, set a new world's time of 54 3-8 seconds for the 440-yard hurdles. Both Taber and Meanix ran under the colors of the Boston Athletic association.

The numbering of houses is a custom 400 years old, according to antiquarians. It was begun at Paris in 1512 but the system did not become general until 1798, when Berlin took up the custom. In Yokohama the houses are numbered without regard to streets.

SEMI-ANNUAL CLEARANCE

Of All Our Men's and Boys' Clothing, All New Spring and Summer Stock, Beginning Thursday, July 22nd, at 8 o'clock. All Must Go at 1-4th Reductions.

Men's \$10.00 Suits at \$ 7.50	Boys' \$3.00 Suits at \$2.25	We have 50 men's suits, good clean stock, that we offer you at 1-2 the regular price.	100 men's hats originally worth \$2, \$2.50 and \$3, now \$1 & \$1.25
" 12.50 " 8.90	" 4.50 "		
" 15.00 " 11.25	" 5.00 "		
" 18.00 " 13.50	" 6.00 "		
" 20.00 " 15.00	" 7.50 "		
" 25.00 " 18.75	" 12.50 "		
		One counter of boys' clothing we offer you at 1-2 price. All good numbers. Sizes 9 to 18.	All straw hats must go.
			\$1.00 and \$3.50 Hats \$2.00 2.50 Hats 1.50 2.00 Hats 1.25 1.50 Hats 1.00
			Palm Beach Suits \$6.00 Panama Suits \$4.00

Remember the Date and Be on Hand to Get Your Share of These Bargains. Terms: STRICTLY CASH.

Yoder-Clark Clothing Company, - Hickory, North Carolina