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DEATHS BY AUTO ACCIDENTS SHOW INCREASE IN N. C.

First Six Months of 1929 Is 12 Per Cent Higher Than Same Period Last Year

57 ARE KILLED IN JULY

National Rate of Increase for Half of Year Is Less Than Half That Of North Carolina

Deaths from automobile accidents in North Carolina during the first six months of the year increased at a rate of more than 12 per cent over deaths during the same period for the preceding year, while the increase for the country at large was, according to figures compiled by the National Safety Council, only 5.8 per cent, or less than half the rate of increase in North Carolina.

The monthly report of the motor vehicle bureau of the State Department of Revenue, issued yesterday, showed 57 deaths during July, as compared with 51 for July, 1928, evidencing a continued increase during the seventh month for which national figures are not yet available.

The total through June was 295, as compared with 262 for the same period last year, or an increase of 33. The total for 1928 was 675, the last six months of the year showing a material increase over the first six.

The July report brought the total for this year to 352 dead, with an additional 2,589 injured. There were 110 pedestrians killed during the first seven months of the year, this comprising the largest toll from any one class of automobile accidents. Ninety-nine died from collisions between automobiles, 96 in non-collision accidents, 20 from collisions with trains, 18 from collisions with fixed objects; six from collisions with horse-drawn vehicles, two from collisions with bicycles, and one from a collision with a street car.

During July alone there were 13 pedestrians killed, 25 in collisions between automobiles, one in a collision with a train, 4 in collisions with fixed objects, and 14 in non-collision accidents. There were 430 additional ones injured during the month. Reckless driving led the list of faults of faults among drivers, with 15 deaths resulting. Speeding caused seven deaths.

The National Safety Council predicts a toll of 29,000 deaths from motor accidents in the country this year if the present rate of increase is maintained. During the first six months there were in round numbers 13,300 killed. The number of deaths during the latter part of the year always show an increase.

Beauty Shop Here To Be Opened Within Few Days

While it will require several more days to install all the equipment, the Williamston Beauty Shop began operations in the Lawyers' Building on Smithwick Street, Miss Carrie Whitford, of New Bern, the shop's manager stated that the formal opening will be held within the next few days. The shop occupies a modernly equipped room in the Godard Building, now the Lawyers' Building, and is operated by experienced specialists. Miss Whitford is assisted by Miss Carrie L. Smith, of Vanceboro, in the operation of the shop.

Program of Services At Christian Church

Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Evening worship, 8 p. m. The subject for the morning sermon will be "The Fundamental Beliefs of Christianity," and for the evening sermon, "The Humility of Jesus." During the summer we have followed the plan of having a doctrinal sermon in the morning and a character study taken from the life of Jesus in the evening. Every one is invited to attend these services and worship with us.

WATTS THEATRE

Saturday Aug. 24
BUZZ BARTON
in
"THE LITTLE SAVAGE"
Also COMEDY and SERIAL
"TARZAN THE MIGHTY"

Monday-Tuesday August 26-27
Dolores Costello
and
Conrad Nagel
in
"TENDERLOIN"
Also NEWS AND FABLES
MUSIC BY PHOTOTONE

COUNTY HAD NO DEBTS IN 1909

Also Had \$10,000 in Treasury; Lot of Difference Then and Now

In its June, 1909, edition dealing in part with Williamston and Martin county, the News and Observer stated, "Martin county financially is among those on easy street." Today the county owes \$942,000, or approximately that amount.

Reviewing the county's financial condition at that time, the paper says: "Martin county financially is among those on easy street. It has no current debt with \$10,000 in the treasury to its credit. There are no floating bonds and the tax rate is only 60 cents. This is not due to the fact that Martin county does not expend money in all the necessary improvements. There are steel bridges across every creek in the county and good care is taken of the poor. The courthouse building was constructed in 1886 at a cost of \$17,500; has its court room on the second floor with a jury room, a judge room and four consultation rooms, with space to accommodate 500 people. On the first floor are the offices of the sheriff county board of education, the clerk of the Superior court, the register of deeds and the grand jury room. The visits in the offices of the register of deeds and the clerk of the court are provided with steel roller book cases and steel files for all court records and papers.

HASSELL SCHOOL TO OPEN SEPT. 2

Faculty Is Same As Last Year; G. S. Haislip Is Principal

Hassell, Aug. 23.—The Hassell school will begin its 1929-30 term on Monday, September 2. All patrons are urged to be present and are especially urged to send their children on opening day and to keep them in school throughout the term. Regular attendance is essential to the welfare of the school as well as the welfare of the pupils. Good scholarship can not be expected of a pupil with a poor attendance record. Pupils that do not attend school regularly will be reported to the county authorities for investigation.

The teachers and committeemen of Hassell school wish to express their appreciation for the splendid cooperation that was manifested throughout last term. The teachers for this term are the same as last: G. S. Haislip, Hassell; Ethel D. Edmondson, Hassell; and Mildred Roberson, of Plymouth.

Julian Harrell Returns From State Convention

Returning from the State meeting of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics held at High Point this week, Julian Harrell, representing the local order, stated that the session was one of the most successful ever held by the order. Edgar V. Harris, of Tarboro, was elected vice councillor of the State Council, succeeding C. E. Hamilton, of Monroe.

Culpeppers Get Charter To Deal in Real Estate

A charter allowing the Culpepper Hardware Company, of Elizabeth City, to deal in real estate was issued this week, according to a press report made public today. The authorized capital stock is \$100,000, of that amount \$500 has been subscribed by W. T. Culpepper, L. B. Culpepper, of Elizabeth City, and P. H. Brown, of this place, and others.

CONTEST BETWEEN TWO NEGRO QUARTETTES AT COURT HOUSE WEDNESDAY DRAWS BIG CROWD

Jamesville Four Wins Decision of Judges Over Plymouth

Held in the courthouse here last Wednesday evening by the Colored Elks Daughters Juvenile Club, the colored singing contest attracted a capacity house. The auditorium was filled by coloreds from this and adjoining counties with a fair reservation for white attendance.

Sallie Riddick, of this place, and a woman by the name of Hassell, from Plymouth, competed in the solo contest, and while each did well with her numbers, the local contestant was awarded the prize. The feature, however was the singing of the two quartettes, one from Jamesville and another

7 CASES DISPOSED OF BY RECORDER

15 Cases on Docket, But Several Are Not Pressed; Others Continued

While there were 15 or more cases on the docket, only 7 were handled in the recorder's court here last Tuesday. One or two were not pressed and several were continued.

Octavius Daniel, pleading guilty to carrying a concealed weapon, was fined \$50 and taxed with the costs. A 12-months road sentence was suspended. Pleading not guilty in the case charging him with disorderly conduct, James Cherry was fined \$25 and required to pay the costs when the court found him guilty of simple assault.

The case charging Junior Wynan with larceny and receiving was remanded to the juvenile court when it was learned that the boy was under 16 years of age.

Judgment in the case in which John McRay Covington was charged with illegal parking on the highway was suspended when an agreement was effected.

James Salsbury entered a plea of not guilty to the charge of assault with a deadly weapon, but the court found him guilty of simple assault. Judge Bailey suspended the sentence upon the defendant paying the cost.

William Bell, charged with carrying a concealed weapon and assault with a deadly weapon, was sentenced to nine months on the Edgecombe County roads. He appealed the case, Judge Bailey fixing the bond at \$200.

Isaac Ampey, charged with house-breaking, waived examination and admitted probable cause. In a second case against him, charging larceny and receiving, Ampey also waived examination and admitted probable cause. Bond was fixed in the case at \$250.

Special Service at Local Baptist Church Sunday

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock there will be a special service held in honor of the young men and young women of the community who will soon be going away to college or university. Included in this group will be the young men and women of our community who will soon be going away to teach in the various schools; as well as any of the teachers of the local schools who may be here.

This is to be a special service in their honor. The service will have special music and will close within the hour. There will be but this one preaching service Sunday.

The regular mid-week service will be held Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Beginning on the first Sunday in September, this church will go back on its regular schedule of two Sunday services.

Sunday school meets as usual Sunday morning; and the pastor will teach the young men's class. Junior and Intermediate B. Y. P. U. meeting at 7 o'clock Sunday night.

North Carolina Shippers To Fight for Fair Rates

At a meeting held in Raleigh yesterday by people of the State who are interested in fair freight rates for North Carolina shippers, a board or committee was appointed to perfect an organization in an effort to combat the discriminating rate affecting this State.

Julius Cone, of Greensboro, was made president of the board and Geo. S. Dewey, of Goldsboro was named vice president of the league.

The organization meeting was opened by Frank Page, chairman of the central committee, who presided with H. B. Branch of Raleigh serving as secretary. Mr. Page explained the purpose of the meeting and also read the minutes of the first general meeting and of the organization committee in Raleigh earlier this month.

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from Plymouth. Both groups sang many numbers, several being of the religious type. The Plymouth four made their greatest hit by singing "The Lord's Prayer." Jamesville's best was "Do You Want To Go To Heaven When You Die?" Both quartettes offered a unique program, but the Jamesville group received the warmest cheering and the decision of the judges.

Singers outside the colored race have attempted to sing the old Negro spirituals, but they have never matched the musical harmony produced by the members of the Negro race. Musical programs with colored participants generally attract large crowds in this section.

DEATH OF MRS. J. D. HARRISON

Died At Her Home Here Tuesday After 3 Weeks Of Intense Suffering

Mrs. J. D. Harrison died at her home on North Houghton Street here last Tuesday night about 12 o'clock, following an illness of three weeks, during which time she had suffered intensely with rheumatism.

The funeral service was held at the home Wednesday afternoon by her pastor, the Rev. C. H. Dickey, of the local Baptist church, Rev. O. P. Fitzgerald, of the Methodist Church, assisting in the service. The burial was in the Baptist cemetery here.

The daughter of Mr. W. T. Ambers and wife, Eliza Ambers, Mrs. Harrison was 39 years old at her death. In early womanhood she married Mr. Tom Gurganus, who was killed in an automobile accident several years ago. By this marriage she leaves three children, one son, Jesse, and two daughters, Annie Mae and Mrs. Woodard Harris. A few years ago she married Mr. J. D. Harrison, who survives. She also leaves an aged father and mother and two brothers, Messrs. W. D. Ambers and Jesse Ambers, of this place.

NO BANNS YET PUBLISHED HERE

Young Man Here Yesterday Relieved To Find Law Didn't Affect Him

"You are twenty-one years of age?" inquired the Enterprise manager yesterday afternoon when a young man called at the office to inquire after the method of filing or publishing marriage banns. "Yes," replied the young man, casually expressing doubt as to the value of the marriage banns law recently passed by the North Carolina legislature.

"And how about your fiancee; is she 21 also," the manager asked.

"Yes," was reply.

"Well, you don't have to file the banns or publish them either," the manager informed the young man, who learning that the banns did not trouble him, refused to make known his identity. The young man was greatly relieved when he learned that the law did not affect him. The manager was also relieved, for it was the first time any one in this county had planned to publish the banns. Several have been filed in the office of the register of deeds, but so far no banns have been published in this county. Either method conforms to the requirements of the law, but all those affected prefer filing.

Julius Peel Is Back From Trip With New Fish Story

With John L. Rodgers and two local boatmen of Swansboro to vouch for the story, Julius Peel relates that while fishing in Bogue Sound on Wednesday afternoon, that a large sea catfish was caught by him; the fish put up a stiff fight, and in order to get the hook released, the fish was stabbed through the stomach several times with a pick, after which, apparently dead, it was taken from the hook and thrown into the water. Immediately upon hitting the water, it started to swimming strongly and leaped clear of the water a couple of times, apparently as an act of defiance. It then disappeared, and a few minutes later what appeared to be a catch of a plucky sea-mullet proved to be the same catfish "raring to go."

Revival Being Held in Holly Springs Church

The revival services in progress at the Holly Springs Methodist church are being well attended, the pastor, Rev. O. P. Fitzgerald stated this morning. The people of the community are taking much interest in the meeting and the congregations continue to increase in size nightly.

Tomorrow evening (Saturday) at 8:00 o'clock the minister will hold a service. The Sunday services will be held at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and at 8 o'clock in the evening. During next week the services will be held a 8 o'clock each evening.

Include Another Sidewalk In Town Paving Program

Meeting this morning in special session, the town commissioners added to the town's paving program by including a four-foot walk from the Farmers warehouse to the J. K. Coltrain store on the Washington road. The number of people walking the highway in that part of the town is unusually large, making it almost necessary for the walk to be included in the program.

Other minor matters were brought before the meeting, but no final action resulted in those cases, it was stated.

Health Officer Says Parents Should Have School Children Examined Before Entering

Should Enter School in a Healthy Condition and Kept That Way

By DR. W. E. WARREN

School days are soon to begin and the least the parents can do now for the child is to have a physician examine him before he starts to school. Defects that may be discovered should be corrected and full cooperation given to the teacher in keeping him healthy after school begins. Here are some of the important points to oversee during the pre-school period and when a child starts to school.

His eyes should be in perfect condition and should be accurately fitted with glasses, if necessary. His teeth should be in good shape and should be examined and cared for, since they seriously affect the proper growth and development of the permanent teeth, and bad teeth can cause disease and interfere with progress. Diseased tonsils and adenoids should be taken care of and removed. They are the cause of much illness. Infected tonsils can and do turn poisonous matter into the system, which will keep the child from feeling fit and may cause rheumatism, heart trouble and perhaps other ailments. Vaccination against smallpox is important. This is done for the child's own protection and for the protection of the community.

Every child over six months of age should be immunized against diphtheria. This is an entirely unnecessary disease and when most of the children of a community have been toxin-antitoxinized it has entirely disappeared. Several cities have not had a death from this disease for periods ranging from a few months to several years and every casualty is little short of a crime, showing neglect on the part of someone.

Consideration should also be given to the nutrition and posture of the child. It is estimated that almost one-fifth of the children in schools, speaking on a nation-wide scale, are in the mal-nourished class. This probably means that many have not had a properly balanced diet, that they overeat of sweets, that they eat the wrong foods and eat between meals. Poor nutrition is reflected in the child's posture, which in turn affects the operation of the important body organs. It interferes with school life and may render the child more susceptible to serious infections such as tuberculosis.

The greatest advance in the work of promoting health during the last several years is probably in the increased care given the child of pre-school age. To the work in this field is largely to be credited the great increase in longevity which has nearly doubled in twenty-five years. The important thing from a health point of view is to give a child the proper start in life. If he starts right he is likely to maintain good health and live long.

Many diseases like diphtheria and scarlet fever, if taken in time, can easily be overcome, whereas if they are neglected they may prove fatal or leave the child impaired throughout life. The results of such diseases when not controlled properly may show up later in other forms, such as mastoiditis.

Register Children Today For Next School Term

Six children had been registered for first-grade work in the local school up until noon today. While the number is unusually small, a decided increase is expected by tomorrow noon, the time for closing the office of the principal.

In the absence of the principal, L. B. Wynne is accepting the applications and assisting in filling out the blanks. Next Tuesday and Wednesday, according to the present plans, the boys and girls planning to enter the high school will register for the work they will follow during the term.

Professor W. R. Watson, the newly appointed principal, was called to South Carolina to be at the bedside of his wife who is dangerously ill in a Columbia hospital.

Maple Grove Revival Ended Yesterday

The revival meeting in progress during the past several days was brought to a close yesterday afternoon with a baptismal service. The meeting was well attended and twenty-three members were added to the church's roll, it was stated.

Program of Services at Church of the Advent

Rev. Arthur H. Marshall, Minister Sunday school at 10 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon at 8. You are cordially invited to attend these services.

MARTIN COUNTY SWINE MAKING COMPLETE SWEEP OF PREMIUMS OFFERED AT NORTHERN FAIRS

Pedigreed Stock Raised in County Winning New Laurels

Martin County hog raisers are meeting with much success in New York and Pennsylvania, where they are exhibiting their herds this season at a number of the large fairs.

Six carloads of thorough-bred Duroc Jerseys, Chester Whites, Hampshires, and Berkshires have been shipped from here this season for exhibition in the Northern States. Last week the breeders exhibited all their herds at the Kutztown, Pa., fair, where they practically made a clean sweep in premiums and prizes. This week the breed-

DR. TRUETT WILL SPEAK AT STATE FAIR THIS YEAR

President Hoover and Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt Also Invited

HOME-COMING WEEK

Plan To Get As Many Native North Carolinians As Possible To Return That Week

Raleigh, Aug. 22.—Dr. George W. Truett, noted Baptist minister, of Dallas, Texas, is the first of the distinguished North Carolinians, now residents of other States, to accept an invitation to speak at the North Carolina State Fair, in connection with Home-Coming Week, October 14 to 19.

Other speakers who have been invited are President Herbert Hoover and Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt. President Hoover is being claimed as a North Carolinian because of his Randolph County ancestry; while Governor Roosevelt was invited as the representative of the Northern States by the last legislature. President Hoover, although expressing a desire to attend, has deferred definite acceptance until he knows whether the tariff fight in Congress will require his presence in Washington in October, and Governor Roosevelt is also deferring his decision because of pressure of business in connection with the legislature in his own State.

The Department of Conservation and Development is now conducting a campaign to get as many as possible of the 247,000 North Carolinians to return for Home-Coming Week, and is sending out personal invitations to all whose names have been supplied through coupons which have been run in the newspapers of the State. Local Home-Coming committees are also active, working out local Home-Coming celebrations for the three days preceding the State Fair, and to boost the attendance of former residents at the fair.

The solution of the new, rewritten, modern State Fair premium list was begun on Thursday, August 22. Plenty of copies are still on hand, however, at the Secretary's office, for all those who are interested in seeing the premium list and sending exhibits to the fair.

AIRSHIP'S START IS POSTPONED

Graf Zeppelin Is Having a Hard Time Getting Away From Tokio

Tokio, Aug. 23.—(Friday)—The Graf Zeppelin's departure for Los Angeles was postponed again this morning because of unfavorable winds.

Dr. Hugo Eckener announced the delay after a long and futile wait for winds and rain to abate. Weather conditions will determine the commander's decision as to when another attempt to depart on the 3,050 miles flight across the Pacific Ocean will be made.

The rain, which had fallen intermittently and then steadily throughout the night, ceased shortly before 4 a. m., but the winds—blowing at right angles across the hangar doors—freshened. Dr. Eckener announced at 4:30 a. m. (2:30 p. m. E. S. T.), that the departure would be postponed.

The wind made removal of the big dirigible from its hangar at Kasumigaura airport a difficult task, and it was feared that the craft might be damaged again. The Graf Zeppelin's rear motor gondola was damaged yesterday morning as it was being walked out of the hangar preparator to departure.

Mechanics worked all day repairing the damage and Dr. Eckener then announced he would be ready to start last night. The passengers were ordered aboard at 8:30 p. m., and the hangar doors were opened later, but weather prevented the departure.

The 20 passengers, including three new ones who replaced Japanese who made the flight here from Friedrichshafen, were informed that the weather was unsatisfactory for the take-off last night, but that an attempt would be made to depart at dawn today.

Woman Killed in Auto Wreck in Dare County

Up until recently there had never been an automobile in the Stumpy Point section of Dare county; last Sunday Mrs. Tom Midgett was killed by one of the machines.

Other occupants of the car escaped with minor injuries. It was understood that both cars were running at a high rate of speed. The cars did not collide. The wreck was due to soft dirt which had just been placed on the road a few days prior and which caused the machine to turn over and land in a canal.