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## COAL TOWN IS IN GRIP OF SORROW

Approximately a Hundred Miners Perished in Explosion, the Cause of Which Still Remains a Mystery

(By The Associated Press)  
Kemmerer, Wisconsin, August 15.—Newly revised figures by officials of the Kemmerer Coal Company this afternoon revealed that 87 bodies had been removed from the mine. Eleven men still are in the workings, all believed to be dead.  
Kemmerer, Wyoming, Aug. 15.—Approximately 100 miners lost their lives in a mine explosion here yesterday.  
In the grip of sorrow and desolation Kemmerer and the little coal camp suburb frontier one mile away already have set about the task of burying the dead for burial.  
Nearly today 95 bodies had been recovered. Thirty-seven of those who were entombed by the blast of the explosion in Mine Number One of the Kemmerer Coal Company yesterday have emerged from the mine alive.  
The exact cause of the blast remains a mystery. Disastrous as was the loss of life, the interior of the mine was only slightly wrecked by the explosion and rescue workers were hampered but little by the debris.  
The local Odd Fellows hall and the undertaking establishment had been turned into temporary resting places today for the miners who met death.  
There was no fire in the lower levels of the mine as at first reported. The explosion occurred a mile underground.

**HAVE ORDERED SEATS FOR NEWBEGUN CHURCH**  
The order for seats for Newbegun Church has been placed and the metal ceiling has arrived. In a short while now the Newbegun congregation will have an attractive and comfortable house of worship rebuilt at relatively small cost by careful and wise planning.

**NEW YORK RESTRAINS K. K. K. AND KAMELIA**  
Elizabethtown, N. Y. August 15.—Supreme Court Justice Stacy yesterday granted an injunction restraining the K K K and the KameLIA from operating in New York as chartered benevolent fraternal organizations.

**CLYDE TUTTLE CASE IS CONTINUED TO SEPTEMBER**  
Greensboro, August 15.—The case charging J. Clyde Tuttle, prominent young business man, with an assault with a deadly weapon, has been continued until September 24. Tuttle shot former City Judge C. A. Jones, his father-in-law, during a domestic row several weeks ago and the case has been continued until September pending the recovery of Mr. Jones, who is now in a local hospital.

**N. C. OVERSUBSCRIBED TO NEAR EAST RELIEF**  
Raleigh, August 15.—North Carolina oversubscribed its quota for last year in the Near East by sixty per cent, it was announced at headquarters yesterday.

**PORT COMMISSION MEETS AT RALEIGH**  
Raleigh, August 15.—The Port Commission held a meeting here yesterday and conferred with Commissioner Maxwell in regard to freight rates in the event of the establishment of their boat line.

**HUNDRED KILLED IN COMMUNISTS RIOT**  
London, August 15.—The town hall of Alsdorf, Germany, is reported to have been stormed by Communists with hand grenades and 100 persons killed. Food riots and strikes in other parts of the country continue while at Berlin a vote of confidence has been given the new ministry.

**FLOODS IN UTAH DO GREAT DAMAGE**  
Salt Lake City, Utah, August 15.—Floods in this section yesterday killed ten and caused millions of dollars property damage.

**FEAR LIVES LOST FROM TIDAL WAVE**  
Tokyo, August 15.—It is feared that heavy loss of life resulted from tidal waves and storms on the west coast of Korea. Several hundred boats were missing today.

**B. Y. P. U. SERVICES TONIGHT**  
The B. Y. P. U. of the First Baptist church will have charge of the prayer service at that church tonight. A cordial welcome is extended the public.

**UNION REVIVAL CLOSES**  
The revival at Union Methodist Church closed Monday evening with nine additions by profession and a number of others expected. A wonderful revival was experienced in the church membership.

**FUNERAL JOHN SEYMOUR THURSDAY AFTERNOON**  
The funeral of John Seymour will be conducted at four o'clock Thursday afternoon at the grave in the family burying ground at Camden, by Rev. H. E. Myers. The funeral procession will leave Elizabeth City at 3 o'clock.

## Enlarged Dining Hall Unit at State College



More than 1600 students can be fed at one time in this spacious dining hall at North Carolina State College. The additional wing, recently completed, is an exact duplicate of the old building, and it is erected immediately to the rear. The two units are connected by large serving pantries extending along each side of the central kitchen. The building, which is modern in every respect, including its own bakery and refrigerating plant, will be used for the first time at the opening of college, Sept. 4th.

**COUNTERFEITING PLANT SEIZED**  
(By The Associated Press)  
New York, August 15.—The seizure of a complete plant for manufacture of counterfeit hundred dollar Federal Reserve notes in Floral Park, Long Island, last night was announced today by Joseph Palma, chief of the Secret Service Bureau here. The capture was effected just as the operators were running off the first set of proofs and promissory with which the Secret Service acted prevented any of the notes getting into circulation. Five men were arrested.

**GASOLINE GOES DOWN IN EAST**  
Price Cutting Which Has Been Under Way in Mid-West Several Days Spreads to Entire Atlantic Seaboard  
(By The Associated Press)  
New York, August 15.—Gasoline price cutting which was under way for several days in the mid-western and southern states where retail prices were reduced in some states 6.6 cents a gallon, spread today to the entire Atlantic seaboard.  
Four large companies announced cuts of from one to two cents in tank wagon prices.  
The wholesale price after reductions will average 19 1/2 cents and the retail price 23.  
Chicago, August 15.—With the price cutting war on in full blast, gasoline prices over the nation tumbled yesterday, in some mid-western states reaching as low as ten cents while the average is about 15 cents.  
In the Southern states, including North Carolina, the price of Standard gasoline dropped two cents, effective today.  
New York, August 15.—The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey today announced a reduction in the tank wagon price of gasoline of two cents a gallon in North Carolina and Virginia.

**TRAGEDY CLOSES BASEBALL SEASON**  
The automobile smash-up on Tuesday night, in which Captain Joe Abbott of the local baseball team was killed, brought the baseball season in Elizabeth City to a close and the games scheduled for this week have been cancelled.  
President Nelson stated Wednesday morning that a benefit game might be played on Friday for the widow of Joe Abbott, but that no definite decision had yet been made.  
The local club has lost only four games since Mr. Abbott was made captain in July.

**Guard Alcohol in Big Steel Vaults**  
Government Departments that Use It in Their Work Have to be Careful  
Washington, August 15.—Extraordinary precautions for the safeguarding of their supplies of alcohol are taken by the various departments of the Government which use this commodity, now so much in demand for the making of what in the parlance of the bootlegger is styled "synthetic" intoxicants.  
Officials of the departments and bureaus declare the systems they have installed have operated so successfully that their losses have been negligible, confined to the theft of a pint here and a quart there. And so close is the check, they assert, that frequently even these small pecuniary losses are traced and the offenders dismissed.

**STANDARD GASOLINE IS REDUCED IN BEST CITY**  
J. N. Whitehurst, local manager of the Standard Oil Company, today announced that a reduction of two cents a gallon on gasoline is now in effect.  
At the National Museum, which, in the preservation of specimens sent to it from all parts of the world, uses only the very highest grade of alcohol, the liquid is kept in a steel vault to which only one employe other than the staff officers has access. The key to the vault is kept under a separate lock.  
Supplies are drawn on requisitions and the uses made of the alcohol are carefully traced and checked. The museum officers say that there are losses from evaporation and spillage, but that in their system these are carefully estimated and due allowance made.  
The Navy Department, which probably is the largest user of alcohol in the Government, also has worked out an elaborate system for the safe-guarding of its supply. The total used is about 1,000,000 gallons annually, half of which goes into the manufacture of smokeless powder. At those stations and depots where the volume of alcohol on hand warrants, the liquid is kept in special steel tanks in rooms under lock, with the keys in the possession of commissioned officers or trusted civilian employes.  
On ship board and at the smaller stations the supplies also are in the custody of commissioned officers. In all cases the liquid is furnished on requisition and a check up, of its uses made to see that none is diverted.  
Similar systems are in operation in the Department of Agriculture, the Bureau of Standards, the Bureau of Fisheries and other Federal agencies using alcohol in their daily operations.

**Plan Reformatory For Negro Youth**  
Trustees and Welfare Commissioner Hope Institution May Soon be a Fact  
Raleigh, August 15.—Established two and a half years ago by act of the General Assembly, the State reformatory for delinquent colored boys will probably soon change the stage of its existence from one on paper to one in fact. The board of trustees of this institution recently met in Raleigh and considered sites for the reformatory and delineated one of its members, M. B. Hart, of Tarboro, to confer with the Commissioner of Public Welfare in regard to suitable plans for the institution.  
The N. C. General Assembly of 1921 authorized the establishment of a reformatory for delinquent colored boys on the same general plan as the Jackson Training School at Concord, and appropriated \$50,000 for its erection. By the time the General Assembly of 1923 met, this appropriation had lapsed, because it had not been used, and it was necessary for the last Legislature to make another appropriation for this purpose.  
The N. C. Association of Superintendents of Public Welfare meeting recently at Chapel Hill passed a resolution urging the building of this reformatory as soon as possible and appointed a committee to wait on the board of trustees of the institution. This committee is composed of Mrs. W. B. Waddill, J. E. Jackson and C. H. Anderson.

**VIRGINIAN NAMED AS COOLIDGE'S SECRETARY**  
Washington, August 15.—Former Congressman C. Bascom Slemp, Republican, of Virginia, was yesterday appointed Secretary to President Coolidge.  
President Coolidge thus filled the only vacancy in an important office so far to occur in his administration. Slemp will assume his duties early next month and in the meanwhile George Christian, secretary of the late President Harding, who submitted his resignation last week, will remain as Presidential secretary.

**Same Policy Toward The Rum Runners**  
Washington, August 15.—The general policy of the Government against seizing rum runners outside the three-mile limit will not be changed as the result of the decision of Federal Judge Woodruff at Brooklyn yesterday. It was indicated at the Treasury Department today.

**STOCKTON IS TRYING CITY MANAGER PLAN**  
Stockton, California, August 15.—Following the lead of Elizabeth City and other progressive cities of the country this city has adopted the manager form of government. Charles E. Ashburner, the dean of the city manager profession, has resigned his position as manager of Norfolk Virginia, to accept the position as manager of Stockton, a city of 52,000 population, at a salary of \$29,000 per year, the highest salary ever paid a municipal executive. Ashburner was elected city manager of Staunton, Va., in 1908 and has since served in similar capacities in the cities of Springfield, Ohio, and Norfolk, Virginia. He assumes his new duties on September 1st.

**Miller Thrown Fifty Feet**  
Wallace Miller, who seems to have escaped serious hurt by a automobile, was picked up in the cotton patch adjacent to the ditch 50 feet from where the smashup occurred. Though still in a dazed condition, a thorough examination by his physician, he seems to be suffering from nothing worse than shock, complaining of no pain except soreness. The place in the cotton patch where his body struck looks as though a bale of cotton, end up, had been dropped on the spot from a considerable height.  
Julian Newbern, also still in the hospital, was saved by his steering wheel, which prevented him from being thrown from the car. He was the only member of the party conscious when a physician arrived. Crazed with fright immediately after the accident he dashed on foot in the direction of town, then turned around and went to the Hollowell home, where James G. Hollowell summoned a physician.  
It still lacked about ten minutes of midnight and Dr. Howard Combs fortunately had not retired. He was on the spot within ten minutes after the summons reached him. Promptly dispatching his automobile back to the city for the hospital ambulance, he set to work to see how many lives could be saved.  
Barrett was dead. Examination later showed that his neck and right leg were broken, besides various cuts and bruises about his body. Dr. Combs at the time only saw that life had gone out of him and went to the

## City Shocked By Fatal Wreck Tuesday Night

Thousands of Motorists from All Over Section View Gruesome Sight of Wrecked Automobile on Weeksville Road Four Miles from the City

**Miller Now Shows Pneumonia Symptoms**  
At 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon a statement from the families of Julian Newbern and Wallace Miller, at the Community Hospital as a result of an automobile smashup on the Weeksville road Tuesday night, was to the effect that Newbern was resting well but that Miller was beginning to show symptoms of pneumonia as a result of exposure.

Three men are dead and two are in the Community Hospital as a result of an automobile smashup on the paved road to Weeksville Tuesday night shortly before midnight.  
The dead are:  
John Seymour of Elizabeth City, aged 26.  
Joe Abbott of Norfolk, captain of the Elizabeth City baseball team.  
J. L. Barrett of Edenton, manager of the Edenton baseball team for the past season, but who, following the disbanding of the Edenton team had come to Elizabeth City to play ball for the remainder of the season only this week.  
Those in the hospital are:  
Julian Newbern, aged 24, son of Horatio Newbern of Powells Point, Currituck County, and manager of W. W. Newbern & Company since W. W. Newbern left the city several months ago. Mr. Newbern lives at the Duke Inn, Church street.  
Wallace Miller, aged 29, son of W. E. Miller, 55 Melherson street, an employe of the Apothecary Shop. The Millers came here from Perquimans County.  
The accident occurred on the curve of the Weeksville road between Jasper Thompson's store and "Bumble," the residence of the Hollowells.

**Seymour Lingered**  
John Seymour lived until a little after 8 o'clock, but from his arrival at the hospital his breathing showed that death for him was a matter of moments. His skull was fractured and his chin cut open. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Margaret Seymour, with whom he made his home on South Road street, and by a wife who, with her six-year-old boy, made her home with her people, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Davenport, at Deep Creek, Virginia. Before her marriage she was Miss Jeanne Coe. She has not lived with her husband for some time. Following a residence of some months in Japan and other foreign countries in 1921, he returned to America and after some months on the Pacific coast he came back in June, 1922, to Elizabeth City and had been employed in bridge construction work connected with the drainage district in Newland township, this county.  
Newbern told Dr. Combs when the physician reached the scene of the wreck that the car left the road at the curve and that strive as he would he could not turn it back into the road. He thinks that the accident was due to a locked steering wheel.  
This is the second wreck in which this Stephens car has figured. Soon after its first owner purchased it, the car caught fire on the road and everything that was inflammable about it burned up. The car was then rebuilt by the dealer for Julian Newbern, and Tuesday night's joyride ended in grim tragedy.  
A local garage man Wednesday morning remarked that he wouldn't want to ride in that car if it were never driven more than ten miles an hour. He was even "jabous" about doing any work on it.  
The opinion is freely expressed on the streets that the accident might have been averted had there been a traffic cop on the Weeksville road. All of the Elizabeth City police are on foot and have no means of coping with speeders near or outside of the city's limits.

**Was Party of Five**  
The party of five, in Newbern's Stephens roadster with Newbern at the wheel, were on their way home from Davis's Bay to which they made a night trip, leaving Elizabeth City at 10:30. Night Police Captain Winslow says that he saw Newbern and his party at 10 o'clock when they had just returned from a dance at Chandilla, that Newbern was drinking at the time and that he cautioned him about taking the car out any more during the night.  
"At 10:30," says Officer Winslow, "I heard them leaving town going toward Weeksville, the engine of the Stephens roaring like the motor of an airplane and distinctly audible for a distance. I should judge, of something like three miles.  
"The next thing I heard of the party was when the hospital ambulance was called to the smashup."

**Forty Years Old He Breaks Leg at Play**  
Ross Owens, machinist, 40 years old, is at the Community Hospital suffering with a double fracture of the right leg, one of the small bones just above the ankle and the other of the small bone just below the knee.  
Members of the family say that Mr. Owens in a friendly scuffle with some boys on the Southern Avenue bridge Tuesday night toward midnight fell and his leg was caught under him, resulting in the injury.  
Police picked Mr. Owens up on Green street, which is the other way from his home on Southern avenue, and are investigating his story.

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