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THREE KILLED, SIX INJURED IN COLLISION NEAR HAMLET

Motor Slaughter Over The State Continues—Randolph Child A Victim—Woman Loses Life Near Charlotte—Two Rutherford Men Are Also Dead As Result Of Speeding

An automobile collision during a heavy rainstorm near Hamlet, Rich- mond county, Monday, killed three people and injured six others, one seriously.

The dead: R. M. Gibson, Columbia, Pa. Mrs. R. M. Gibson, his wife. Miss Helen Bridges, of Richmond County, North Carolina.

The Gibsons formerly lived at Blackstock, S. C.

Gibson and Miss Bridges were killed instantly, and Mrs. Gibson, who suffered a broken leg and crushed chest, died at a Hamlet hospital several hours later.

Mrs. J. A. Ritchey, of Richmond County, was reported to be the most seriously hurt of the injured. She suffered a fractured skull and severe lacerations.

Wm. J. Bankhead, 21, of Washington, fractured hip.

Mrs. Edward Bankhead, 27, of Washington, cuts on head and face and bruises.

Miss Grace Dunn, 20, of Richmond County, broken leg.

Miss Blanche Dunn, 23, of Richmond County, concussion of brain, split forehead.

The Dunn girls and Mrs. Ritchey are sisters.

The crash occurred on United States highway No. 1, four miles south of Hoffman.

The Dunn sisters, Mrs. Ritchey and Miss Bridges were in one car. The Bankheads and Gibsons were in the other.

Eddie Monroe Hodgkin, three-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Gage Hodgkin, of Bl. Rameur, Randolph county, was instantly killed Saturday afternoon when the car in which he and his father were riding was struck by an automobile driven by William Dickens, of Asheboro.

The accident occurred during a rainstorm on Route 22 in the southern part of Rameur. Officers said Hodgkin and the child were coming into town and Dickens was headed out of Rameur when the cars collided. The Hodgkin car was overturned twice.

Hodgkin escaped with minor bruises and injuries but the child was dead when taken from the wrecked car.

Miss Kathleen Kezziah was instantly killed Sunday in an automobile collision at Newell Mecklenburg county, when the car in which she was riding collided with a car driven by James Roach, of Charlotte. Miss Kezziah was in a car occupied by her sister, Sarah, and June Hagler, of Charlotte. Sarah suffered a back injury, but hospital attendants said it had not been determined whether her injury was serious. Hagler was unhurt.

Passengers in the Roach car were released from the hospital after treatment for minor cuts and bruises.

Deputy Sheriff Jack Williams and Leslie Tanner, young Rutherford-ton men, were fatally injured Saturday when their car ran off a curve into a gully on the highway near Hendersonville. Williams was a son of Sheriff J. Cal Williams of Rutherford county and had been acting as sheriff due to the illness of his father. He died in a Hendersonville hospital two hours after the accident. Tanner, a son of former Sheriff Ed Tanner, was killed instantly.

John Pledger, 57-year old Tyrrell county farmer, was found dead Tuesday morning in his automobile which had landed in a ditch on the highway 10 miles from Columbia. Investigation revealed that he had lost control of his car which whirled off the highway into the ditch.

Chesley Meredith, warehouseman, of Carthage, for the past 15 years was killed Tuesday night when his automobile sideswiped a tobacco truck on the Aberdeen-Pinehurst highway. He died almost instantly.

Charlie Bumgardner, 18, was run over by a coal truck at Rhodias, Caldwell county Tuesday and fatal-

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UNION SHOPS ARE TO GET A&P PRINTING

Great Store Chain Agreement Covers The Entire Nation John B. Haggerty, Allied Printing Trades President, Says Pact Is Of Tremendous Importance, Affecting Enormous Volume Of Work

Washington, Sept. 7.—An agreement by the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company that its printing, from coast to coast, will be done hereafter only in printing establishments entitled to use the union label was announced here by President John B. Haggerty of the International Allied Printing Trades Association.

"This agreement, over the signature of Ralph Berger, representing the company, is the result of conversations running over several weeks," said Mr. Haggerty.

Best Of Good Will Shown "It is of tremendous importance and significance. It involves an enormous volume of printing and consequently an enormous amount of work. It will affect printing establishments in every area where the A. & P. has food stores. I want to pay high tribute to

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SHOOTING IS FATAL TO LOCAL NEGRO

Beer Garden Comes Under Close Scrutiny Again Following Another Murder

Whether or not city officials will "crack down" on Negro beer gardens as result of a fatal shooting Saturday night in Charlie Jones' beer garden on Myrtle avenue was an open question today.

Police today were still actively investigating the shooting of Isaac Sherrod, Negro about 26 years old. Although the Negroes in the place when police arrived on the scene claimed to know nothing about the shooting, Police Chief J. R. Thomas said today that his officers were making progress in the case.

The killing of another Negro in the same dance hall September 12 of last year, almost exactly a year ago, precipitated a two-months investigation by the board of aldermen. The inquiry resulted finally last December, in a new "blue law" closing beer gardens from 11 P. M. Saturday to A. M. Monday.

Police were called to the beer garden at 11:22 o'clock Saturday night to investigate Sherrod's death, Chief Thomas stated.

Asked about the probability of action by the board of aldermen in the matter, City Manager, L. B. Aycock said today he did not know whether it would be brought before

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Must Look To Preacher To Take Lead For Temperance

We have heard much favorable comment on the sermon of Dr. Kinchee, pastor of the First Baptist Church last Sunday morning urging the people to take a firmer stand against Sabbath desecration and against the liquor evil and for improvement in our social conditions. We were not one of the fortunate who heard it but we are glad to know that it did not fall on stony ground. The pulpit and the church must of necessity take the lead. The school teacher by reason of all drawing their money out of one pot is somewhat handicapped in speaking out against conditions of local community and the state because of our centralized Government. If you lose a job in one place you are handicapped to find one in another place where everybody is employed out of Raleigh. The liquor question is becoming one of our most complex social and economic questions. Those who were responsible for placing these stores in our midst said they did it in the interest of temperance and not in the name of temperance but the way they have been running and operating these stores shows that they are more interested in the quantity and profits than they are in the interest of temperance. We have a concrete example here in our own midst and what we are saying is not to be considered a reflection on the keepers of these stores for they have no control over the opening or closing. The regular closing hour has been 6 o'clock but when the tobacco market opened and the factory opened up for the stemming of tobacco the closing time was delayed until 7 o'clock week day and 9 o'clock Saturday. Now what was the purpose of this change? Was it for temperance or was it to sell more liquor? The hour certainly was set with the view of catching the coming and going of the factory and the pay envelopes on Saturday nights. Many of these workers in these factories have been on relief during the summer and the closing of the liquor store has been delayed apparently to catch this money and in a few more weeks these same people will be on relief again and will be despised because they are poor and the manufacturers of liquor in Pennsylvania will have the money. Here is where the economics come in. The state is in the liquor business and the school teacher dares not criticize it or she might have to move on to some other territory so it is up to the preacher and the church. Our memory goes back to two preachers Rocky Mount had years ago: Dr. W. D. Morton and Rev. D. H. Tuttle who is now retired living in Smithfield. They were preachers that spoke with boldness and the people loved them because they were bold Christian leaders. Some time the congregation feels that the preacher ought to step lightly for fear that the preacher might step on somebody's toes, who helps to give generous support to the church but this did not effect these two old servants in Israel.

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Trouble Starts In Sudeten Section Of Czechoslovakia

Pilottess Plane Demolishes Home

Rockingham County Boy Seriously Injured When Struck By Unexpected Visitor From The Skies

A pilotless airplane rode out of the skies to demolish the home of Harry B. Gann, 40-year old tenant farmer near Reidsville in the foggy dawn, early Saturday morning, leaving the building almost shambles.

Nine-year old Donald Gann, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Gann, was critically injured when the abandoned plane burst into the bedroom where he was sleeping and came to rest directly over his body. His bed was twisted into a shapeless mass. The boy is in a Reidsville hospital and the attending surgeon said there were internal injuries and that the boy's condition is serious. Fred Lee Gann, Donald's six-year old brother, asleep in the bed with him, by a miracle, suffered only a laceration of his right leg and severe shock. The baby of the family, two-year-old Sammy Gann, was sleeping in another bed in the same room. Although covered with some debris he suffered only a small laceration over one eye.

The Ganns live on a farm 11 miles southeast of Reidsville, near the Caswell county line. At the time the riderless plane paid its destructive visit Gann, who only three weeks ago returned from an eight months bout with tuberculosis at Sanatorium, was in bed in a back room. With him was another son, Willie Gann, age 4. Both escaped injury.

Mrs. Gann was preparing breakfast in the kitchen and conversing with Fred Gann, brother of Harry Gann, and also an occupant of the house, shortly before the crash. Fred Gann said he had just looked at the clock and the time was 6:10. He was standing on a side porch near the kitchen door. He said he heard the drone of the plane and remarked to his sister-in-law that he believed its occupants had lost their way. Mrs. Gann asked if he could see the plane and he replied "Yes. It looks like its heading this way."

Mrs. Gann left the cook stove and took a step toward the door. Before she reached the door the battered nose of the plane burst through the partition separating the kitchen from the bedroom in which three of her children had been sleeping. The motor was not more than five feet from Mrs. Gann when the plane stopped.

The airplane, a single-motor army plane, was one of a squadron of 12 that left Langley Field, Va., at 2 o'clock Saturday morning on a formation flight to San Antonio, Tex. Its triple-blade propeller was found some 25 feet back of the house. A white oak tree at least 16 inches in diameter, standing by the house in the path of the plane, was neatly clipped off two feet from the ground and the trunk of the tree was thrown approximately 30 feet from the stump.

The Gann home is a frame dwelling with three bedrooms and a kitchen on the ground floor. A second story was being used as a tobacco pack room. The front porch, front left bedroom and the kitchen back of this bedroom were a confusing mass of twisted and splintered wreckage.

Two men, a pilot and mechanic, bailed out of the ship while it was still some 10,000 feet in the air, it was said. One landed about three miles northwest of the Gann house in Rockingham county, and the other came to earth about three miles southeast of the house in Cas-

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Trouble, which had been brewing since the highly inflammatory address of Hitler a few days ago burst bounds in the Sudeten area of Czechoslovakia Wednesday.

Sudeten Germans are reported to have stormed a police station and killed fifteen policemen in protest against the arrest of rioting Nazis.

Strict martial law was proclaimed by the Czech government, and soldiers were being poured into the troubled area. The final outcome was not known at presstime, but all of Europe was actively preparing for war.

American citizens are being warned by Consulate employees and officials to return to America if passage can be secured and unless their presence in Europe is very urgent. War is expected to break out at any minute, the whole world is in a nervous tension as developments are watched.

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TRAINING SCH. GETS GRANTS

Allotments Totaling 15,255 For Shop And Sewage Disposal Announced

Allotment of two PWA grants totalling 15,255 to the Eastern Carolina Training School near here was announced today in an Associated Press dispatch from Washington, D. C.

The grants were 12,555, the PWA's contribution toward a \$27,000 shop building at the training school, and \$2,700, the PWA grant toward a \$4,000 sewage disposal plant at the school.

The grants were for \$12,555 and \$2,700. The larger grant will be used, it was learned today from S. B. Leonard, superintendent of the school, on a shop building that is estimated to cost about \$27,000. The smaller grant, he said, will be used on a sewage disposal plant, to be built at the school at a cost of about \$4,000.

The allotments were announced today among a number of others from the large PWA funds recently made available for projects applied for before September 30.

Roanoke Rapids received a \$14,175 grant for a school building announced today.

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New Drug Store Opened Friday

Saunders Drug Store Represents "Most Modern Type"—\$50,000 Investment

Saunders Drug Store, described by L. S. Saunders of Wilmington, the owner, as "the most modern type of drug store to be found in any town of any size," opened here today in the site on Main street formerly occupied by the Lyric theatre.

Finished in structural glass outside and natural maple inside in a modernistic design, the store represents a \$50,000 investment and offers many innovations in drug store construction and management, Saunders stated.

The soda fountain bar and fixtures are entirely of stainless steel, and the fountain and tables have tops

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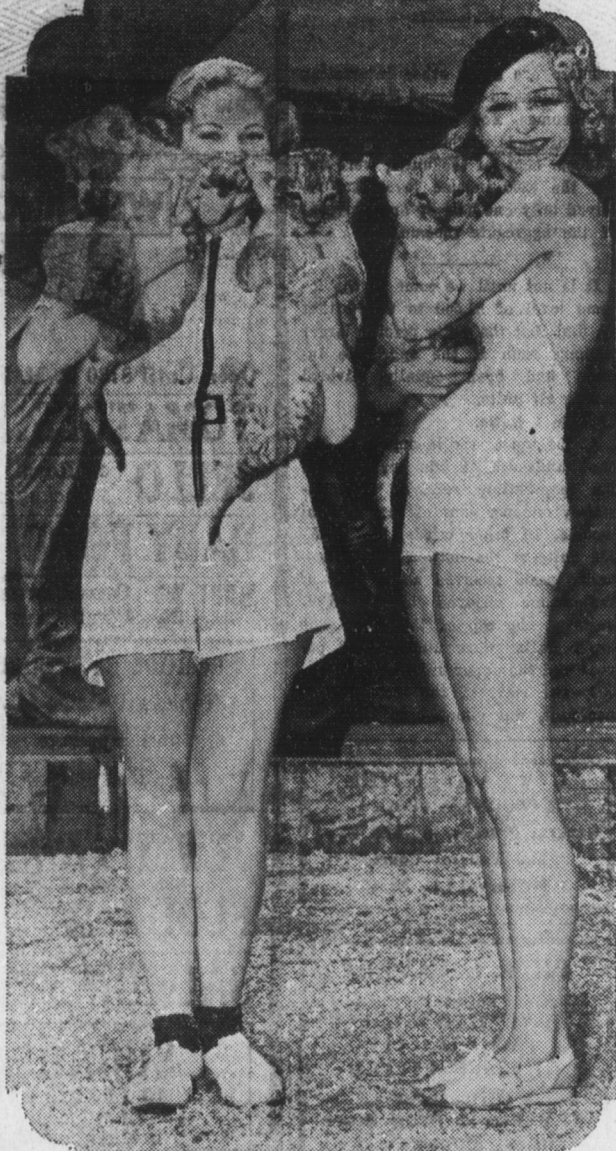
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BIG TOP SISTERS ADOPT MOTHERLESS LION CUB TRIO



High flyers, daring aerial performers who swing from trapeze to trapeze in the dome of "The Big Top," are Sonya and Jerry Carroll with the great Robbins Brothers Circus. But on terra firma they are thoroughly domesticated and as tame as ordinary young women of their ages, are overly fond of pets.

Several weeks ago three lion cubs were born with the circus. The mother lion died and a menagerie superintendent was placed in a quandary he had never before faced. Jungle beasts will not adopt the young of another animal as will often domesticated animals like dogs and cats. To raise the cubs was a problem.

Along came Sonya and Jerry Carroll. The petite, young artists adopted the three little lions, began a course of bottle feeding and solved the harassed superintendent's worries. Under care of these world famous high flyers, the motherless

ed weight in such fashion that animal trainers marveled. Now at several weeks age they are as gentle as house kittens.

The Robbins Brothers Circus is coming to Rocky Mount on Friday, September 23 at the Fairgrounds for two performances at 2 and 8 P. M. Doors to the menagerie will open at 1 and 7 P. M. An immense street parade will be seen on the downtown streets at 11 A. M. There will be hundreds of horses, rumbling wagons of red and gold, tooting calliopes, trumpeting bands, 20 elephants and two caravans of camels from Asia and Siberia.

As an added feature attraction CLYDE BEATY greatest wild animal trainer of all time, will present the world's largest wild animal act. Battling 40 ferocious jungle bred lions and tigers,

PARKS AND THE COST OF BASEBALL PARK!

Visited Charleston, South Carolina about two weeks ago and as we had expected found it a most interesting place. Among the early settlers of Charleston were many French Huguenots and the French influence on its architecture is most noticeable and still the outstanding interest to visitors.

In the old section of Charleston the houses do not face the street but the end of the house borders the street and they have side porches, inner gardens walled in to give privacy. We were much struck by the attention even in the early days that had been given to providing resting and parking spaces. Sometimes a spot not much bigger than a small residential site had been walled in so as to give protection and seats placed therein. We remember one little park of this kind especially in the heart of Charleston in front of the St Michael Church, not large enough to be called a park but only a resting place. In this park were three old nurses in splendid linen uniforms giving several small babies a morning bath in the sunshine. In the heart of Charleston was built the well known Citadel College. This college has been removed to the edge of the city where it has more spacious grounds. The old Citadel buildings have been torn down with great expense and cost. The site has been cleared away and a great monument has been placed in the center of the old Citadel grounds in the heart of Charleston where the public can enjoy the use of park space for generations to come. It must have cost many hundreds of thousands of dollars. Then my mind went back to Rocky Mount and we began to think of what an opportunity Rocky Mount has with expenditures of about \$20,000 to buy a whole city block within the heart of the city and yet it has not been done and it is hard for the public to understand why the Board of Aldermen can delay in purchasing this land. The Board has spent more than one hundred and fifty thousand on an airport much of it without authority by law, it has spent in the neighborhood of one hundred thousand dollars on a lake that can not be used by anyone and thousands and thousands have been spent where it is hard for one to find. A small park between the high school and the Edgemont grammar school known as the Kite lot, just a small triangular place being the only place of public grounds on the East side of town has been very largely taken up by the water tank. It does look like the Board of Aldermen having taken this park for the city tank that they would make an effort to replace this with some other place. A block of ground should be purchased in the Hargrove section, a block should be purchased in the Battle school section and a block should be purchased in the Rocky Mount Mills section while property is cheap and can be acquired at little expense. The city manager could give the public much light if he would give the figures of expense for the enormous amount of money that has been spent on the baseball park and then also let the public know just what income the tenants are paying for the use of this park. What does it cost to light the baseball park and who pays for this lighting? The Aldermen are trustees for the public and should make a report.

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