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MAN EATING SHARK CAUSING TERROR ON NEW JERSEY COAST

Hundreds of Men Hunting in Launches for the Man-Eater

TWELVE YEAR OLD BOY BELIEVED DEVoured

Beach Bathing Along the New Jersey Shore Virtually Suspended—Coney Island Also Precaution of the Shark.

(By Associated Press.) Matawa, N. J., July 13.—Hundreds of men in row boats and launches were hunting today for the man-eating shark that yesterday killed a boy and a man and dangerously injured another youth in Matawa Creek and caused a reign of terror all along the New Jersey coast.

William Stanly Foster, twenty-four years old, who was attacked by the shark when he tried to rescue the Stillwell boy died upon reaching the shore.

Joseph Dunn, ten years old, was in a precarious condition today and it was said the injuries he received from the shark might prove fatal.

The scare that has been felt along the New Jersey shore mainly in summer reports since the first shark raid on bathing has virtually suspended all beach bathing. Even at Coney Island every precaution was taken against the visit of the shark. The tragedy is today all the more startling because it occurred in water 10 miles from the ocean.

Matawa creek is a tide water stream about 50 feet wide and 8 to 15 feet deep and empties into the Raritan Bay.

The shark to get there from the Atlantic ocean had to round Sandy Hook, cross through the lower bay into the Raritan Bay in the south and round Staten Island.

The first person to see the shark was Captain Thomas B. Cottrell, of Caport, as he started up the creek about noon. Fifty or more persons were bathing the captain said, and he warned them. About the same time a number of men on a drawbridge saw the shark. Captain Cottrell hurried up the creek in a motor boat to warn the bathers most of whom left the water immediately.

The others ignored the warning because they did not believe an attack by a shark could be 16 miles from the open sea.

Four persons have been killed by a man-eating shark and two maimed along the New Jersey coast during the last ten days.

TWO PERSON VICTIMS OF MAN-EATING SHARK

Boy and Man Who Went to His Aid Killed by the Sea Monster. No Trace of Boy Found.

Matawan, N. J., July 13.—Lester Stillwell, 12 years old, was killed by a man-eating shark while bathing in an arm of Raritan bay near here yesterday afternoon. Stanley Fisher, 24 years old, who went to his aid, was so badly injured in a struggle with the sea monster that he died while being taken to a Long Branch hospital. Joseph Dunn, 12 years old, bathing some distance away in the same inlet, was attacked by a shark and one of his legs was so lacerated it probably will have to be amputated.

This is the third time within two weeks that sharks have claimed the lives of others along the New Jersey coast. Charles E. Van Sant, a youth of 16, was killed by one off Spring Lake, N. J., on July 2. Charles E. Van Sant, a youth of 16, was killed by one off Spring Lake, N. J., on July 2. Charles E. Van Sant, a youth of 16, was killed by one off Spring Lake, N. J., on July 2.

A dozen or more boys, who also were bathing in the inlet, heard Stillwell's screams for help. Fisher, who was standing on the bank, went to the rescue. He had gone only a few feet when the shark renewed the attack. Buried as he was Fisher was helpless and the shark snapped off his leg. Fisher released his hold on Stillwell and himself sank beneath the surface, unconscious.

Headless of the danger another boy sprang into the inlet and dragged Fisher out. No trace of Stillwell was found and it is believed he was devoured by the shark.

The Dunn boy, according to persons who were standing on the bank of the inlet, also was attacked soon after going into the water. An elder brother and another boy went to his rescue. They succeeded in diving off the shark, but not until after the younger Dunn's head had been torn almost in shreds from the base down. He is expected to recover.

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Morehead City Selected as the 1917 Convention City

TO ADJOURN TONIGHT

William G. Shephard, War Correspondent of American Press Association Will Address the Editors at Tonight's Session.

(By the Associated Press.) Durham, July 13.—Edward E. Britton of the Raleigh News and Observer, was elected president today of the North Carolina Press association, and Morehead city was selected as the 1917 convention city. Other officers elected were: Sanford Martin of Winston-Salem, first vice-president; Robert T. Beasley of Monroe, second vice-president; V. W. Whitehead of Wilmington, third vice-president; J. B. Sherrill of Concord, secretary; M. L. Sherman of Raleigh, historian; Henry Galt Braxton of Kinston, orator; and William Laurie Hill, Maxton, poet. The executive committee was re-elected. The convention will adjourn tonight after hearing an address by William G. Shephard, war correspondent of the American Press association.

CLARKE SLATED FOR HUGHES PLACE BENCH

Washington, July 13.—John H. Clarke United States District Judge of Cleveland, Ohio, was understood today to be the probable choice of President Wilson for the seat on the Supreme Court made vacant by the resignation of former Judge Hughes.

JONAH MEET WITH MRS. WILLIFORD

On Wednesday morning Mrs. William Williford entertained the Jonahs at one of the most enjoyable card parties of the season. At the close of the game several of the guests were found to hold very high scores. Miss Mary Mason surpassing the others by a slight majority. The Jonah, assisted by Miss Helen Sorsby, then served refreshments in two courses. Those present were Misses Frances Scott, Genevieve Griffin, Alice Dawson, Ruth Dawson, Lucile Rose, Mary Mason, Mary Smith, Chloee Cooper, Annie Sorsby, Annie H. Wilkinson, Margaret Daughtridge and Mrs. H. L. Rose.

ELKS IN BIG STREET PARADE TODAY AT BALTIMORE

Baltimore, July 13.—The big event of the Grand Lodge of Elks was the street parade today in which many thousands of the members of the order marched to the music of thirty-five bands. Floats and spectacular designs abounded in the demonstration. The final session of the Grand Lodge will be held this afternoon.

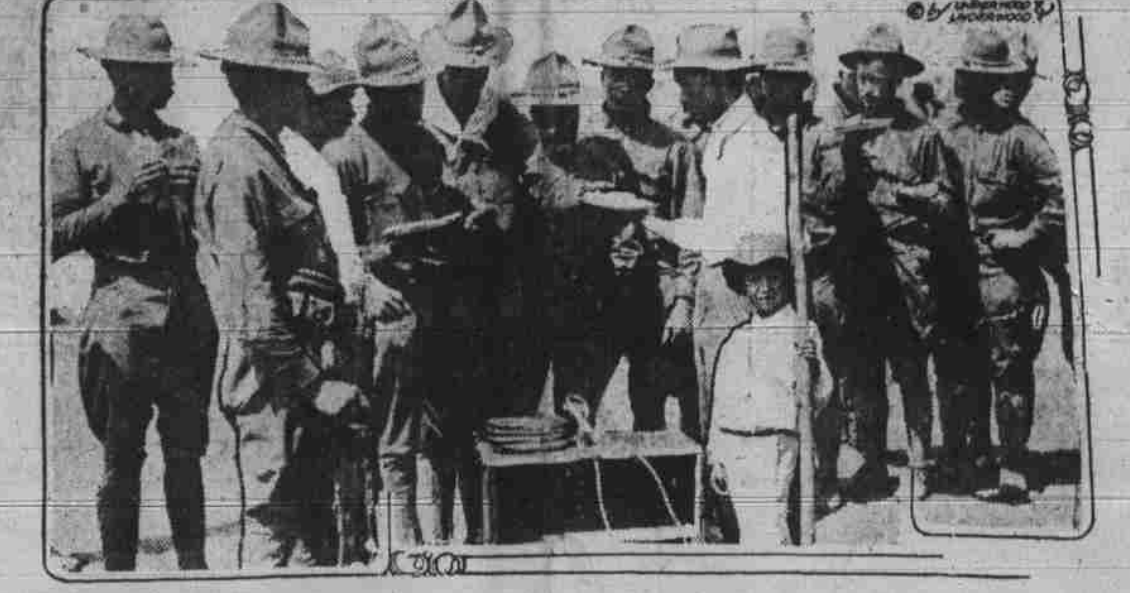
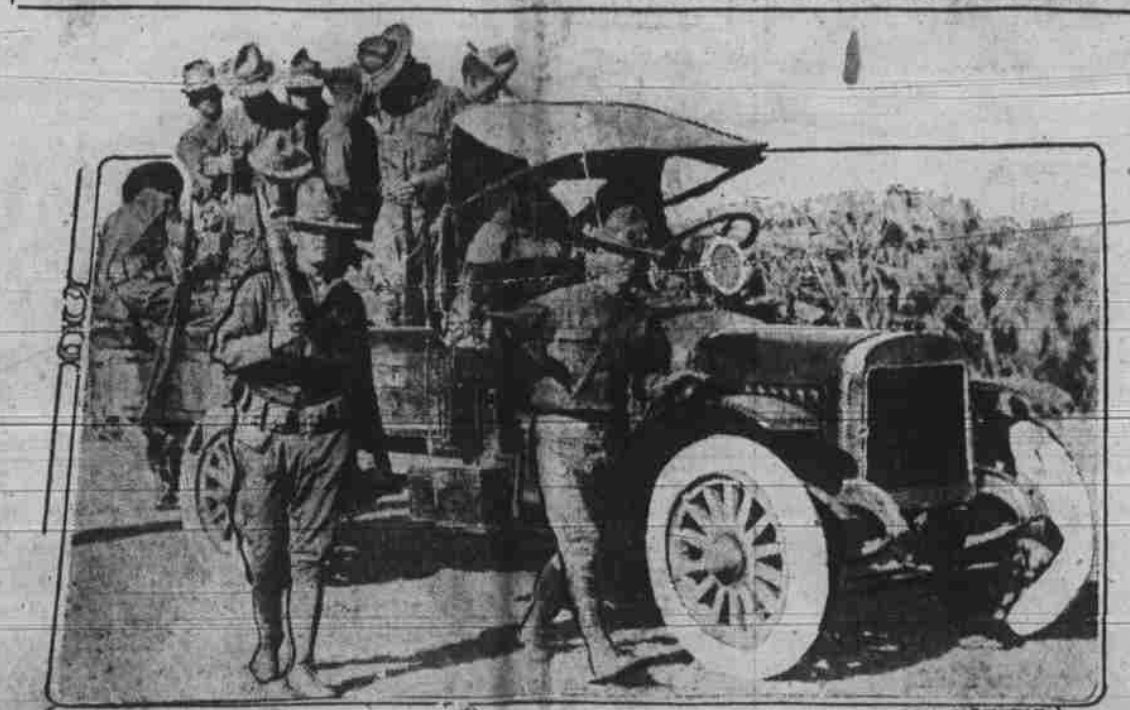
COTTON MARKET

(By the Associated Press.) New York, July 13.—Cotton futures opened steady. July, no quotation, October, 13.38; December, 13.43; January, 13.17; March, 13.35. The cotton market was very quiet early today and the opening was 4 to 5 points higher on scattered covering after selling at 12.98 on the call. October eased off to 12.95, while December declined to 13.11, with the general list holding about 2 to 4 points net higher toward the middle of the morning.

STOCK MARKET

New York, July 13.—Further tendencies in the stock market were displayed by special stocks in today's opening, indicating a cessation temporarily at least of the recent flood of quotations. Industrial Alcohol soon recovered 4 points over yesterday's heavy loss and the shipping group was higher from 1 to almost 2 points. The group was represented by Crucible Steel, American Locomotives was materially better and United States Steel was higher with Reading, Union Pacific and Chesapeake and Ohio. Wills-Overland proved the only notable exception losing 2 1/2 points despite the 100 and extra dividends announced.

WITH GENERAL PERSHING'S EXPEDITIONARY FORCES IN MEXICO



Scouting party returning to camp; Chinese pie man making sales to U. S. troops.

LOCAL BOY IN THE SERVICE ON THE BORDER

Probably the only Rocky Mount boy who is believed to be on the southern border along with the detachment of State troops is thought to be Mr. Herbert Parker, a son of Mrs. George L. Parker, of this city. Mr. Parker, who has for several years been in the service of the Westinghouse Electric Co., is a member of a Pittsburgh regiment, and since that unit of the State guards was last week called to El Paso, news of his arrival on the border is awaited with interest by many friends here. Mr. Parker happened to be in a local hospital away on a leave of absence on account of sickness when he learned of the President's call. He immediately wired his command as to the time that he would be discharged from the hospital here and he reported at Pittsburgh in time to move to the concentration camp with the regiment.

BRANCH DEMOCRATIC HEADQUARTERS

Chicago, July 13.—Vance McCormick chairman of the Democratic national committee, was here today conferring with party leaders and making preliminary arrangements for opening branch national campaign headquarters in Chicago about August 1. He left for New York late in the afternoon. Chairman McCormick said he expected to announce the Democratic national campaign committee of either twelve or fifteen members within a few days and that a meeting would then be held to arrange for opening the branch campaign headquarters here and in San Francisco or some other far western city. He said that in making up the campaign committee, the Progressives will be given recognition.

DISTRESS SIGNAL SAYS RAMOS IS SINKING

New York, July 13.—Distress signals from the steamship Ramos, reporting that her engines were disabled and that she was sinking 310 miles northwest of Watlings Island, were picked up at 5:20 a. m. yesterday by the steamship Van Hogendorp and relayed to the Marconi wireless station at Miami Fla. the Marconi company announced. The Ramos is a New York and Porto Rico Company vessel of 535 tons net which sailed from Philadelphia on July 9 for Cartagena. The Van Hogendorp reported at 5 p. m. that she had arrived at the last position given by the Ramos and had been unable to locate the ship, but was continuing the search in thick weather.

MUCH STREET WORK ORDERED

Orders of City Aldermen to Call for Big Expenditure For the Streets

MUCH IN SIDEWALKS

The Matter of Falls Roads Gives Some Concern and From Ten to Twenty Thousand May Be Spent There.

Between \$15,000 and \$25,000 in street improvements are now being made in this city, and have been ordered by the aldermen and the state includes a pressing of work though it may be early in the coming year before it is completed. The work is in all probability to be completed in its entirety by the city engineers and about one-third of the work is for concrete sidewalks approximately 6,100 lineal feet of which is now in process of building or has been ordered constructed. The construction anew of Falls road from Thomas street to the Rocky Mount Mills at the most conservative estimate will cost \$42,000. All of this is in excess of the approximate \$150,000 that has given this city as good streets as any state.

FOUR KILLED WHEN POWDER HOUSE BLEW UP

Pompton Lake, N. J., July 13.—One of the powder houses of the Dupont Powder Works near here blew up at 11:20 o'clock today shaking the surrounding country. It was reported that four persons had been killed and three injured. The accident occurred at Collettsville, eight miles north of Lenoir, when the two cars going in opposite directions collided before the occupants could bring their cars to a stop. Litz and Cobb were on a car owned by the lumber company, and Branch was operating a car for the section foreman of the railroad.

OHIO MILITIA HAVE OBSERVATION BALLOON

Akron O., July 13.—The Ohio national guard today is the only State militia organization equipped with an observation balloon ready for Mexican service. The artillery contingent, commanded by Major Harold M. Bush, has been presented a \$100,000 balloon, the only one of its kind in the United States, for observation purposes. The War Department has ordered several like it for the regular army. The balloon, presented by an Ohio rubber company, is in the possession of Battery B.

FIRE PROTECTION IS FURNISHED BY OUTLYING CO.

Fire protection for the major part of Rocky Mount during the past three days has been in the hands of the officers of the local department and the Gibson Hill and North Rocky Mount departments. The average layman had no knowledge of the fact that the man that wanted to call the firemen did it in just the same way as always, that of "pulling the box." The alarm was sounded all right but only on the indicator of the central station as the removal of the general alarm bell from the old steel tower to the new brick tower has required the greater part of Tuesday and Wednesday. During this time the calls for the departments were to be attended by the officers of the company in whose room there are alarm bells and then there would have been sent a call for the North Rocky Mount and Gibson Hill departments.

TWO MOTOR CARS ON C. AND N. W. COLLIDE

Gaston, July 13.—As the result of injuries received at 7 o'clock yesterday morning, near Collettsville, when two motor cars operating over the S. and N. W. railroad smashed together, three men, G. W. Litz, H. E. Cobb and Gus Branch were brought here yesterday afternoon. The three men are now in a local hospital and it is reported that Mr. Litz, vice-president of the Ritter Lumber company, is in a critical condition, while Branch, who has a broken leg, and Cobb are also badly injured, but their wounds are not considered fatal. The accident occurred at Collettsville, eight miles north of Lenoir, when the two cars going in opposite directions collided before the occupants could bring their cars to a stop. Litz and Cobb were on a car owned by the lumber company, and Branch was operating a car for the section foreman of the railroad.

CHILD KILLED BY LIGHTNING MONDAY

Wadesboro, N. C., July 13.—Monday morning about 11:30 the little eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas Hough, who lives on the farm of Mr. Emerson Bennett, in Ansonville township, was struck and instantly killed by a bolt of lightning. The little girl with her five-year-old brother were in a swing when the lightning struck a large oak near by and was transferred to the tree in which the swing hung. The little boy was severely burned and bruised, but not fatally.

INFANTILE DISEASE CLAIMS 24 TODAY

Daily Bulletin Issued at Noon shows Slight Decrease in New Cases

REPORT 117 NEW CASES

With Marked Decrease in Number of New Cases is Shown A Decided Increase in the Number of Deaths.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, July 13.—A slight decrease in the number of new cases and a marked increase in the number of deaths during the last 24 hours in the epidemic of infantile paralysis was shown in the daily bulletin issued at noon today by the health department. During the 24 hours preceding 10 o'clock this morning 24 children died from the plague and there were 117 new cases in the city.

DIDN'T KNOW MAN COULD TALK SO MUCH

Lorain, O., July 13.—In celebration of his twenty-five years as a barber, Theodore Curtis today hauled out and exhibited records to prove that he has shaved 243,900 men, including Presidents McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft; Senators Hanna, Quay, Beveridge and Ben Tillman; Doc Cook, Buffalo Bill, Jess Willard, Tod Sloan and Harry Thaw. He has cut enough hair to make eleven mattresses and to pad 43,542 crutches. He would like to add Charles E. Hughes to his list. When a friend heard that Curtis had shaved so many, he remarked that he didn't see how one man could talk so much.

FIVE PERSONS BY AMMONIA TANK EXPLOSION

New York, July 13.—Five persons were killed, one is missing and thirty others were injured, many seriously, today when an ammonia tank in a Brooklyn butcher shop exploded, completely wrecking a four-story brick building. So terrific was the blast that several a brick in the building was left standing and the victims were crushed under the tons of debris. A passing trolley car escaped the avalanche of bricks but a dozen passengers were injured.

TOURING FAMOUS PISGAH FOREST

Asheville, N. C., July 13.—Delegates to the Southern Forestry Association convention in session here, spent yesterday touring the Pisgah national forest, new session of any of the various associations represented was held yesterday but the sessions was resumed today. The delegates view at first hand the reforestation work accomplished by the late George W. Vanderbilt, most of which was done under the supervision of Gifford Pinchot or Dr. C. E. Schenck.

BRASWELL SHOT BY THREE NEGROES LAST NIGHT

Chief of Police Hedgepeth telegraphed this morning to the Special Agent Braswell caught the negroes on the train and attempted to arrest them. They opened fire and one shot took effect through body near his heart. He had two wounds and after he was shot he was taken to the hospital. The shooting occurred on a train just before 12 o'clock last night. Special Agent Braswell caught the negroes on the train and attempted to arrest them. They opened fire and one shot took effect through body near his heart. He had two wounds and after he was shot he was taken to the hospital.

DEUTSCHLAND DISCHARGED CARGO

Baltimore, July 13.—The cargo of the German ship Deutschland was discharged today at the ship's pier instead of being long and 30 feet wide than 25 feet.

RUSSIAN ARMY IS SOURCE OF WONDER

Czars Army Startling Military Writers of England

SIX GREAT ARMIES

Grand Duke Nicholas' Arm Pressing Turks Hard Persia and Armenia Seem to Gradually Force Turks to Fall Back

(By Associated Press.) London, July 13.—The recovering Russian army since the defeat in 1915, and conditions seem to be a source of wonder to military writers. At least six great armies are engaged against the Austrians and Germans on the western front. Forces under Grand Duke Nicholas Armenia and Persia have been fighting vigorously against the Turks for months. A few weeks ago the Russian army was particularly those western front. The Russian army was compelled to fall back before the stronger Turkish armies.

Early this week the Grand Duke resumed the offensive in recapturing makhatur, 50 miles west of Erzerum, so that the Turks have fallen back 25 miles from the point they reached their counter offensive. Meanwhile the armies directly south of the Pinsk marshes are fighting pitched battles with the Austro-German forces. Along the lines of the Stokhod river it probably will be some days before the divisions are reached as the Germans have bought up very strong reinforcements.

North of the Pinsk marshes the fighting is with artillery. The Russian armies are reforming for continuation of the offensive. The Germans have made a slight gain which apparently has not lessened confidence of defense which must be penetrated before the German objective can be gained. The British are still engaged in clearing the Germans from fortified positions which must be taken before the general offensive can be renewed.

RUSSIANS DRIVE GERMAN BACK

Berlin, July 13.—By way of London—German troops have driven back the Russian forces which had pushed forward in the region of the northwest Bucevac in Galicia, according to a German official statement issued today. The Germans took 400 prisoners.

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