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## SEVENTY DEAD IN EXPLOSION

and 60 Injured In Alabama Coal Mine

TIPPLE IGNITED

out of 475 Men In Mine At Time of Explosion, 345 Rescued Unin-jured—Rescue Work Proceeding Rapidly

Birmingham, Nov. 22. Seventy miners were killed and 60 injured, some of them seriously in a dust explosion in Dolomite with No. 3, of the Woodward Iron company, nine miles from this cay, this afternoon, which trapped 475 workers beneath the surface, according to an official statement issued here tonight by D. E. Wilson, treasurer of the company. Dan'el Harrington, United States rescue official stationed here. had previously sent a message to the pittsburgh station, estimating the dead at 50, with at least that numher injured; 345 werre rescued un-

State militia is gradually assuming charge of policing the district surrounding the mouth of the pit tonight and it was stated that martial aw might be called to avoid congestion about the mine, owing to the

offux of the curious. According to Treasurer Wilson, many of the injured were already at heir homes after receiving first aid reatment at the mouth of the mine, their hurts only being of a minor nature. Company physicians worked at top speed in emergency hosils established on the ground at e mouth of the mine.

Mr. Wilson stated that the minrs believed to be fatally injured ad been removed to the Elizabeth ouncan hospital at Bessemer, near

he scene of the accident. According to company officials, the explosion occurred simultaneouswith the crash of three 'skip' cars which ran "wild" down the slope to the mine "wards," approximately 1,100 feet from the entrance. These cars, breaking cable, where they were being hapled as the slope to the entrance, crashed downward. severing an electric circuit. This caused a spark and as the cars crashed into the "yards" which were trackage in the interior of the mine, where loaded coul cars were assembled before being hanled to the surface, the explosion occurred. So iched upward all the way to th also entrance, approximately 1.10 test, and then continued on 200 feet further to the mine tipple, setting

ing in the "yards" at the time and all of these men were either killed or injured.

At a late hour bonight the main entrance to mine No. 3 was cleared and rescue workers were using this entrance to enter the mine and con-

tinue their work. Frank H. Crockard, president of the Woodward company, made the ollowing statement at midnight: "Out of 475 men who were in the mine at the time of the explosion it now appears that about 70 were

killed and 60 more or less injured. "Air currents have been established in the mine and all parts can be entered. The mine itself is not serionsly damaged by the explosion.

by the speeding cars. attention. While the loss of life is all sections of the cotton belt. terrible we are indeed grateful that

ers on duty did not suffer." ing removed by rescue crews, while weevil then is inconsequential. undertakers' assistants were preparing for removal of the dead found in out, the crop is usually "made" by the entries nearest the manway. No August 15. attempt at identification of the dead

the wounded. corps of nurses and assistants to the appear later and deposit their eggs scene of the disaster. Ambulance on the squares.

companies armed with Jung motors and Railway company's safety department, and Frank H. Crockard, president of the Woodward com-

According to mine officials, a

## Hunt-Kirkman

Miss Kate Hunt, of Pleasant Garden, and Bernard Worth Kirkman, parents also was celebrated.

## STATE NEWS BRIEFS

Locke Craig Improving Asheville, Nov. 22.—Following several days of illness, the seriousness of which has greatly alarmed the members of his family, former Governor Locke Craig, who is at his home near here, tonight was report.

Guilford County

Cutrane New Members

ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

MORE COLSOLIDATION ed to show noted improvement.

Merrison Will Not Co-operate Raleigh, Nov. 22.—Governor Mor-rison pesterday made public a tele-gram in reply to an incomy of a slew York newspaper in which he stated that he had "no intention of co-onerating with governors, of other states in suppressing the Ku Klux Klan." "I do not expect any trouble in this state from this source," said the governor, "but in the event any should arise, organized government will be able to handle any difficulty which we may have

Tuesday voted to extend the city sion of the bar. limits five-eighths of a mile north and south, and half a mile east and ties in the 12th judicial district, west. The majority for extension Guilford, Davidson and Stokes. So trage and Ohrismon, will serve until was 476, a total of 2,254 votes have extensive has litigation in Guilford July 1, 1923. ing been cast for annexation out of become that under the present plan a registration of 3,556. The ex- often more than a year elapses foltension failed to carry in only one lowing the filing of complaints and precinct this being the fifth, which answers before cases can be brought in this precinct voted not to change to the delays. the boundary lines.

committing a criminal assault upon a view to procurement of an act mation of the board to provide inbound over to the Superior court committee. under a bond of \$5,000 by magisable cause against the defendant. county-judicial districts are being the Neuse, where Dunn was inves- counties. tigating the activities of suspected the charge against him was trump- tion: Monday was concluded today.

stroon in Cumberland county and and business, and best him up, failed to muterialize Oliver H. Allen against lawlessness courts in Guilford county. and bootlegging.

#### Approximately 50 men were work- HAS IMPROVED PLAN TO CONTROL WEEVIL

Florida Entomologist Believes New Method Will Assure At Least 90 Per Cent. of Normal Crop

Gainesville, Fla., Nov. 22.—Bulletins are being sent out by the State Plant board of Florida detailing at tee consisting of seven members of cember 1 for eastern North Carolength the "improved method of con- this association, to be composed of lina. trolling the boll weevil" as evolved Mr. R. R. King, chairman of the as- The size of the second checks will by Dr. George D. Smith, assistant sociation, and six other members to be the same as of the first checks.

entomologist of the board. Florida growers of upland cotton by North Carolina for its consideration possible, directors said, that they following the new method are as- and to urge it to grant relief from will not be received until several sured of at least 90 per cent. of a these conditions.' normal crop. Dr. Newell points out The bar association also arranged "The explosion was possibly caus- at the outset that Dr. Smith's ex- the calendar for the December term sociation was in splendid shape. el by cars breaking loose and run- reriments were made under Florida of court for the disposition of civil ning down the slope, when electric conditions, and the method evolved actions. The term will begin Desparks exploded the dust picked up is adapted to this state, but there cember 4 and continue one week, 48 seems to be no reason "on theoreti- cases being set for trial "Practically all of the injured are cal grounds at least" why the methhow out and are being given every od cannot successfully be adapted to

The substance of Dr. Smith's plan more of the large number of work- is to clear the fields of weevil infestation early in June and then give As darkness came, women and the staple free growth until August F. V. Wrenn, of Herndon, Va., Tries children, white and black, crowded when the annual immigration of the closer about the mine anxiously weevil sets in. The staple has waiting in common sorrow word grown, however, to such an extent from the pit. The injured were be- by this time that harm from the

In this state, the bulletin points

Dr. Smith recognized in the beor seriously injured had been at- ginning of his experiments that the tempted, the work of emergency re- boll weevil could be effectively poishef claiming first attention. All the oned before it reached the "squares" hesday morning. doctors and nurses in the commun- or flower bracts of the plant. His the had been marshaled to care for investigation therefore had to do with ridding the plant of the last The American Red Cross sent a of the over-wintering weevils which

His plan evolved meets this objoined the rescue crews, whose oper- stacle by the simple process of reations were directed by Ed Flynn, moving the early squares, and then head of the Tennessee Coal, Iron thoroughly disinfecting the boll itself with poison. His experiments disproved the belief that removal of the early squares would lover the

cotton yield. In this state, the bulletin conbroken electric circuit caused by the tinues, by removing the boll, the runaway of a train of trip cars was plant then has almost as long a responsible for ignition of the dust. period in which to set fruit as it enjoyed in a normal season prior to the coming of the weevil.

Engineer Fatally Wounded Lumberton, Nov. 22.-H. P. Ritof Greensboro, were married last ner, an A. C. L. engineer, was shot night at the home of the bride's par- and probably fatally wounded while ents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hunt, at sitting in the cab of an engine at El-Pleasant Garden. The vows were rod, Robeson county, last night. The bride's before Rev. A. G. Loftin, the bullet struck the engineer near the bride's pastor, assisted by Rev. R. E. heart and he only has a slim chance hunt, her uncle. The bride former of recovery, it was said at Fayettetaught in Eliza Bowman college ville, where he was carried to a hosin Cuba. Mr. Kirkman is a young pital. R. H. Peele, Elrod merchant. business man of this city. Follow- was placed under \$10,000 bond as ing the the ceremony was an informal a result of the shooting. He admits two children, Marvin Pell, Jr., and reception in which the 28th anniver- firing three shots at someone he sarah, of Greensboro, are spending V. Koonts treasurer. J. E. Latham G. Loftin and Rev. 4R. D. Sherrill here on a charge of being drunk and sary of the shots at someone he sarah, of Greensboro, are spending v. Koonts treasurer. J. E. Latham G. Loftin and Rev. 4R. D. Sherrill here on a charge of being drunk and sary of the shots at someone he sarah, of Greensboro, are spending v. Koonts treasurer. J. E. Latham G. Loftin and Rev. 4R. D. Sherrill here on a charge of being drunk and sary of the shots at someone he sarah, of Greensboro, are spending v. Koonts treasurer. Sary of the marriage of the bride's thought was trying to break into his a few days at Mr. Johnson's old continues to serve as president and officiating, and interment followed in disorderly. Lucas also is alleged to barents also is alleged to barents also is alleged to barents also is alleged to bare killed his wife in Oklahoma. store.

# WOULD CREATE SCHOOL BOARD

Want Separate District for D. M. Chrismon and S. E.

Pointing to Congestion of Docket and Resultant Delays, Guilford Bar Association Will Appeal to Legislature

Creation of a new judicial district, to be composed solely of this coun-ty, is urged by the Guilford Bar as-

At present there are three councovers a part of that territory to be to trial, it is said. More than 100

R. R. King was designated as chairman of a special committee of

Efforts; designed to bring about trate J. E. Owens, who found prob- he establishment of other one-The assault, it is alleged, took place in de elsewhere in the state, notably indicated. "The problem now," says in a boarding house at the Falls of in Forsyth, Wake and Buncombe

The following resolutions were whisky dealers. Dunn declares that adopted by the Guilford Bar associa-

ed up to forestall his prosecution of 'Whereas, there is such a conges-Otis Grady, the husband of Arietta tion of cases on the civil and crim-Grady, for selling whisky. The hear- inal docket of Guilford county Suing before the magistrate started perior court that it has become inpossible for the court to dispose of

"Whereas, there seems to be no. practical remedy for this conditioned ernoon shan a lecture by Judge other than to increase the number of

"Now, therefore, be it resolved by Make Second Payment the har association of the county of

"That it is necessary that a judicial district be created, consisting solely or denied.

## SALESMAN CUTS HIS THROAT IN HIS ROOM

to End Life at Hotel, But He Is Expected to Recover

salesman in various sections of capital. North Carolina, made an eamest at. tempt to end his life in his room at the O. Henry hotel early Wed- the 87-year-old woman said amid the

Leo's hospital a few minutes after, woman in the senate. Immediately he telephoned from his room to the afterward her successor, Walter F. self-inflicted wound is not serious. It ator possible, was administered the ery will be effected within the next former senator. Appointed October few days.

tried to commit suicide. It was said that he had business worries which and 25 minutes. friends think may have affected his mental faculties.

Although he is married, Mr. Wrenn and his wife have not been living together recently, it is stated.

## City Clerk Resigns

Walter L. Murray has resigned as city clerk, the resignation to become effective December 1. Mr. Murray Mr. and Mrs. George Stansbury, of has accepted a position with the this city, occupies a position with the Giant Furniture company in High Huntley-Stockton-Hill company. Aft-Point. The resignation was accept- er an extended motor trip Mr. and ed with regret by the City Council. High tribute to Mr. Murray's efficient work was paid yesterday by Mayor Claude Kiser.

Visiting Near Whitsett Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Johnson and

home near Whitsett.

# NEW DISTRICT IS ENLARGED

Mar Improvements in Sys-tem of Guilford County he Quilford County Board of Ed-

to be composed solely of this county for the country for the Guilford Bar as sociation in resolutions adopted here Monday afternoon at a meeting in the courthouse.

This remedial measure is sought because of congestion of cases on the criminal and civil dockets and resultant prolonged delays in the trial of such actions, it having because impossible for the court to discountry which the people voiced for the country wide equalization of the steamship Topolobampo High Point to Extend

High Point, Nev. 2/2.—High Point pose of the business within a reason able time," according to the expression of Greensboro; Dr. Dred Peacock, of High Point, and Dr. C. S. Gilmer, of Route 6, Greensboro. These gentlemen, with Messrs, Col-

General setisfaction because of the representative character of the County Board of Education is being live in the rural sections of Guilford, have one representative each.

Charged With Criminal Assault lawyers to present the matter to the adopted by the voters last April has special equalization measure utes. Raleigh, Nov. 22.—Charged with General Assembly next January with given great impetus to the determi-

ms throughout the county Consolidation of many comparatively weak schools into few strong ones will be one of the cardinal principles of the administration, it is County Superintendent Thomas R. Fourt, "is getting action, mapping out area, building the schools, prepating for transportation. This is what the board will get at as soon as it can."

Already Guilford has an enviable reputation among the counties of North Carolina because of the prog-Proceedings End in Lecture

Lillington, Nev. 21.—John Doe done to litigants and persons accuse of Gulliord's equalization act may end the Ku Kius Klan who went to are steadily growing worse by real lines. It is said that a state time, whereby great injustice is law modeled largely along the lines of Gulliord's equalization act may be presented for adoption at the great large proceedings against alleged members are steadily growing worse by real lines. It is said that a state time, whereby great injustice is law modeled largely along the lines. It is said that a state time, whereby great injustice is law modeled largely along the lines. It is said that a state time, whereby great injustice is law modeled largely along the lines. It is said that the lines is a state time. the business within a reasonable cloud lines. It is said that a state On every hand in this county te is evidence of determination to

# To Co-ops On Dec. 20

Raleigh, Nov. 21.—The board of of the county of Guilford and the directors of the Tri-State Tobacco legislature is hereby memorialized to Growers' Co-operative Marketing ascreate such judicial district to the sociation, meeting here today, auend that the administration of jus- | thorize the second payment on totice be not further unduly delayed bacco sold by the association to be made December 20 in the old belt, "Resolved further, that a commit- which includes Greensboro, and De-

be selected by him, present this mut- The above dates are those on which While expressing confidence that ter to the next general assembly of checks will be mailed, though it is

Members of the board said the as-

#### WOMAN SENATOR REALIZES HER FONDEST AMBITION

Washington, Nov. 22 .- Woman's brief dominion in the senate ended today with a dramatic speech by Mrs. W. H. Felton, of Georgia, the first woman senator, followed by her retirement from the public stage. Tonight she was en route homeward. Every wish of the feminine political pathfinder-to be sworn in and Slashing his throat with a knife, rolls, to answer a Senate roll call F. V. Wrenn, of Herndon, Va., who and to make a brief address-had has been engaged as an insurance been gratified before she left the

"Indeed, I feel like I am the happiest woman in the United States," applause of senators and spectators, Mr. Wrenn was removed to St. in the first address ever made by a hotel clerk, announcing, "I have cat- George, whose gracious delay in preis believed that Mr. Wrenn's recov- oath and Mrs. Felton became a 3, upon the death of Senator Thomas The man admitted that he had E. Watson, and sworn in yesterday her actual Senate time was 22 hours

## Rogers-Stansbury

Miss Hilda Rogers, of High Point, and Frank E. Stansbury, of Greensboro; were married Sunday at bride's home. Rev. T. J. Robers, pastor of Main Street Methodist church. High Point, and father of the bride, officiated. Mr. Stansbury, a son of Mrs. Stansbury will make their home it 215 Church street, Greensboro.

New Officers Elected

Two new officers have been electof this elty. John A. Kellenberger John L. Latham secretary.

## NEWS OF THE NATION

Preparing for Another War New York, Nov. 22 -The militar sis in Germany already are preparing for another war, Georges Clemenceau, war premier of France, declared Tuesday night in the first address of his American tour.

Tax Case Up Again Washington, Nov. 22 .- The constitutionality of the tax imposed by North Carolina agon raffrond prop-erty was raised in five cases in

ing of the steamship Topolobampo off the Gulf of California, near the mouth of the Colorado river, early Sunday, according to reports of the disaster which have just reached

#### Grand Jury Adjourns

Somersville, N. J., Nov. 22 .- The Somerset county grand jury, which has been investigating the Hallexpressed. Three of the members Mills murder case since Monday, adtaken in. Out of a registration of cases are now awaiting trial, it was while Greensboro and High Point day morning. James Mills, husband probably be of granite and bronze. journed late today until next Mon- ket street. The monument will of the slain choir singer, was the Action of North Carolina Supreme last witness of the day. He was on court in upholding the validity of the stand for an hour and 15 min-

### Harding Urges Shipping Bill

Mrs. Arietta Grady, last Saturday creating the new district. Mr. King creasingly adequate facilities for H. Dunn, private detective was will name the other members of the profits throughout the county. a joint session of Congress, urged chairman of the Board of County speedy enactment of the administra- Commissioners; County Commisfon shipping bill as a means of cut- sioner W. C. Jones; Jack Stevens, ting down present losses through op- commander of the Henry K. Burtner eration of government ships and post of the American Legion; Mrs. putting America at the forefront C. D. Benbow, Jr., an official of the 'in the peace triumphs on the seas of the world."

#### Professor Tiernan Resigns

South Bend, Ind., Nov. 22 .- Professor John P. Tiernan, who recently charged that Harry Poulin, local haberdasher, was the father of Mrs. Tiernan's third child has submitted his resignation as a member of the Notre Dame university faculty.

Convict "Hootleg King" New York, Nov. 22.—Anthony Cassese, described by the althorities as "the Bootley King," was convinced by a jary in Federal south late. Knox sentenced him to two years in the Atlanta penitentiary. The judge also imposed a fine of \$10,000.

### PRISON REFORM TO BE DISCUSSED HERE

Reports of Subcommittees and Other Interesting Matters Scheduled for Meeting to Be Held at Courthouse Friday

Prison reform legislation will be considered from many interesting angles at the meeting of the Citizens' Committee of One Hundred at the county courthouse here tomorrow. The committee will begin work at 10:30 Friday morning and activities will continue until late tomorrow night, it is expected.

Morning and afternoon sessions will be held at the courthouse. Tomorrow evening's meeting will be held af West Market Street Methedist church. Senator A. M. Scales. of Greensboro, chairman of the for operating an automobile while North Carolina Conference for Social Service, will preside.

The opening address tomorrow morning will be delivered by Sena- careless and reckless manner. In tor Scales. Dr. Jesse F. Steiner, of the first case he appealed and bond the faculty of the . University of was fixed at \$300. J. W. Tysinger. North Carolina, will discuss the charged with operating a car while origin and purposes of the commit- drunk, was found not guffty. Sento be placed legally on the Senate Carolina" will be the subject of an was imposed in Municipal court address by W. B. Sanders, executive secretary of the social service con- Joe Gates drew a similar sentence. ference. G. Creft Williams, South They were tried for operating an Carolina public welfare worker, automobile while under the infla-will also speak. From 12:30 to 2 ence of whisky. Jack Rodman, will be observed as the luncheon charged with a similar offense, was hour, at which time R. S. Humph- found not guilty. rey, of the national prison reform organization, will speak.

Reports from the subcommittees will be submitted at the afternoon session. Many prominent North Carmyself." The attending physician senting his election credentials had clinians will take an active part in Apple's Chapel next Sunday in celeexpresses the conviction that the made reception of the woman sen- that meeting. Mrs. Kate Burr John- bration of the first anniversary of son, state commissioner of public the Quilford pastorate, according to welfare, will preside at the evening Rev. C. B. Gerringer, the pastor. session and will deliver an address Sunday school will begin at 16 then. Joseph P. Beyers, of Frank- o'clock and the regular church servfort, Ky., will then speak on "Newer | ice at 11. Dinner will be served on Methods in the Care and Treatment the grounds. In the afternoon a

of Prisoners." made to the General Assembly next tian orphanage from Elon College. January will be one of the chief de- At the close of the afternoon service velopments of the sessions, it is ex- an offering for the orphans will be pected.

Mrs. Emiline Armfield

Mrs. Emiline Armfield, 72 years old, died Wednesday morning at her home near Rehobeth church, south of Greensboro. She was the widow of J. C. Armfield, a well known Guil- the charge of murdering Mary ford citizen. Mrs. Armfield was a Blount, according to information redevoted member of Rehobeth Meth- ceived here. An Alabama officer is odist church. She leaves a son, Ed- expected to arrive, here within the gar Armfield, and a daughter, Mrs. next few days to take Lucas to Bir-Minnie Oliver; also a stepson, M. I. mingham for trial. While in the city Armfield, and a step-daughter, Mrs. prison recently Lucas was found Roxie Hall. A sister, Mrs. Lyda with a steel slat with which he had ed. by the J. E. Latham company, Norwood, lives in Greensboro. | evidently intended to assault Patrol-

he church cemetery.

## **WILL HONOR WAR HEROES**

County to Erect Larg ument Here GRANITE AND I

was reached at a meeting of the county commissioners here Tuesday

The monument was proposed by W. C. Jones, of High Point, and d. T. Barber, of Gibsonville, as a fitting way of commemorating the patriotism of those who served in the militar yforces. The suggestion was enthusiastically approved by the other commissioners and tentative plans looking to consummation of the project were outlined.

It is expected that the big memorial will be erected in front of the county courthouse in the center of the walk leading from West Mar-The names of the veterans who lost their lives in their country's service and those living will be inscribed upon the monument.

Definite plans will be perfected by a special committee appointed Tues-Ladies' auxiliary of the American Legion here; Dr. I. T. Mann, of the High Point post of the legion, and Mrs. John B. Peacock, of the legion

auxiliary in High Point. As a token of their esteem the other commissioners Tuesday presented a handsome leather traveling whose term of the will espire Deten nullin service as a men

formally laducted into office of next meeting of the board, early b During the past week eight miles

of road were graded and sand-clayed by county convicts, it was stated at Tresday's meeting of the commissioners. Three squads of convicts, constituting 87 men and 11 gangs of laborers, are now engaged in the construction and maintenance of highways in Guilford.

#### ROAD SENTENCES IMPOSED UPON AUTOMOBILE DRIVERS

For operating an automobilo while drunk, Rev. J. W. Allred was sentenced to serve four months on the county roads when he appeared in Municipal court Tuesday morning. Notice of appeal was given by the defendant and Judge D. H. Collins named \$1,000 as appearance bond. Robert Stone drew a sentence of four months on the roads drunk. Judgment was suspended in the case in which he was alleged to have operated an automobile in a "Prison Conditions in North tence of six months on the roads Monday against Frank Hubbard, and

#### ALL-DAY SERVICES AT APPLE'S CHAPEL SUNDAY

All-day services will be held at pleasing feature will be a concert Definite recommendations to be by the singing class of the Chrisreceived. The public is cordially invited.

Negro Wanted for Murd. Dewitt Lucas, negro, who is being held in the county jail, is wented in Birmingham, Ala., to answer The funeral was held this after man Jeffreys and make a break for becomes vice-president and Henry noon at Rehobeth church, Rev. A. freedom. The negro was arrested have killed his wife in Oklahoma.