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ANOTHER BAD WRECK

Chicago Flyer Suddenly Goes Into Open Switch

LARGE LIST OF DEAD AND INJURED

Although None of the Lake Shore or New York Central Officials Describe the Disaster to Excessive Speed, a Return to the 20-Hour Time is Announced.

Cleveland, O., Special.—Nineteen dead and a dozen slightly injured comprise the revised casualty list made by the wrecking Thursday night, at Mentor, Ohio, of the east-bound twentieth century limited, the Lake Shore and New York Central's eighteen-hour train, which ran into an open switch, crashed the engine and nearly burned it to ashes, and scattered several of the mangled corpses. The surviving injured are not much hurt.

The twentieth century limited, according to announcement from New York, will hereafter return to a twenty-hour schedule, although none of the railroad officials ascribe the wreck to excessive speed.

It is maintained by railway officials that the switch on which the limited was wrecked was thrown open and locked and the switch light extinguished by some person, either a maniac or some one seeking revenge. It is still unknown who this person is, although detectives are working on the case. A careful examination of the switch showed that it was in perfect condition. Trained men are of the opinion that the engine of the twentieth century train was loaded to the limit of the switch just beyond the open switch, the light of which is said to have been out.

W. H. Marshall, general manager of the Lake Shore, says the speed of the train was not a contributory cause to the wreck. He said that other Lake Shore trains travel through Mentor at a speed equal to that attained by the limited, which was not, Mr. Marshall says, above 60 miles an hour.

The wreck of the train calls for a speed of 70 miles an hour at Mentor.

Fourteen dead of Lake county, announced that an inquest would begin next Monday in Painesville.

A revised list of the dead follows: John H. Bennett, attorney, 31 Nassau street, New York.

John A. Bradley, of the law firm of Bradley, Rogers, Bradley & Rockwell, Akron, Ohio.

T. R. Moran, second vice president of the Wellman-Seawers-Sawyer Company, Cleveland.

C. H. Wetman, of the Wellman-Seawers-Sawyer Company, Cleveland, died in hospital.

A. L. Rogers, New York city, representative of the Platt City Iron Works of Dayton, Ohio, died in hospital.

S. C. Berkwith, 115 One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street, New York.

A. H. Hend, London, representative of the Otis Steam Heating Co., Cleveland, died in hospital.

H. H. Wright, traveling man, Chicago, died in hospital.

D. E. Arthur, traveling man, Milwaukee, died in hospital.

J. H. Gibson, Chicago, traveling man, died in hospital.

H. C. Mesching, New York city, with the Wheeling Corrugated Iron Company.

L. M. Ehrich, manager Keith's Theatre, Cleveland.

E. F. Nagle, Chicago, proprietor of a railway supply house.

The ten unidentifiable persons supposed to be those of L. A. Johnson, of the millinery firm of Conroy & Johnson, Cleveland, and Henry Triner, later on the train.

Allen Taylor, engineer, Collinwood, Ohio, died in hospital.

NORTH CAROLINA CROP BULLETIN

Conditions For Past Week as Given Out by the Department.

The North Carolina director of the Department of Agriculture issues the following bulletin for the past week:

Throughout most of the State the weather during the past week was generally fair and very warm, with refreshing showers towards the close.

It is true that drought prevails in some counties, but nevertheless as a whole, the week was quite favorable for farm work, and caused marked improvement in the growth of crops, except in a few sections. The mean temperature was high, averaging nearly 80 degrees for the State at large, while the maxima exceeded 90 almost every day except Sunday (25th); the nights also were quite warm and favorable for growth. Most of the week was entirely dry, but on Friday, 23rd and Sunday 25th, fine showers occurred in the east, giving new life to the crops. Drought continues to prevail in several central-western counties, chiefly Caswell, Anson, Scotland, Forsyth, Guilford and further west Gaston, Rutherford, Mecklenburg, Cabarrus and Yadkin, and in these counties and gardens are suffering for lack of sufficient moisture. In the extreme west (Swain, Cherokee, etc.) abundant precipitation interfered a little with farm work. Cultivating crops, laying by corn, harvesting, and planting field peas progressed favorably. In sections suffering from drought where the land has become too dry and hard. Crops are still late and small for the season, but are growing rapidly.

The weather has been just right for cotton, which though small is improving rapidly; squares are forming freely and blooms will soon appear; rice continue to damage this crop considerably.

The weather was too dry for late planted corn; upland corn also, in the counties suffering from drought, has grown well, a little fraying being reported; laying by corn is general, even in the west. Tobacco has grown well in the east, but is somewhat small and late in the central-west; reports of transplanting as delayed; top-planting tobacco has begun in the east.

Safe houses and threshing has commenced; many spring oats remain to be cut. Gardens look fine, but need irrigation in the central west, and along the coast. Irish potatoes turned out to be a fine crop; sweet potatoes, and all winter crops are doing fairly well. A large crop of hay was cut and nicely cured this week. Fruit, peaches, and small berries continue to come into market abundantly. Grapes appear to be rotting in a few places.

Crops reported: Nashville 0.67; Goldsboro 0.62; Lumberton, Trace, Newbern 1.44; Weldon, 0.72; Wilmington 0.48; Raleigh 0.65; Newmarket 0.26; Raleigh, 0.74; Lexington 0.65; Monroeville, 1.10; Ramours, 0.44; Davidson, 1.77.

Request For Receiver.

Ashville, Special.—Judge J. C. Pritchard, of the United States Circuit Court, has signed an order continuing the hearing of the Southern Railway Company to show cause why a receiver should not be appointed for the South Carolina and Georgia Railroad, until Wednesday, July 26.

The order was made at the request of the Southern, that the defendant might have more time in which to file its answer.

The request for a receiver for the Southern Railway Georgia division of the Southern was made by a stockholder of the Southern, residing at Augusta, Ga., who complained that the treasury of the Southern is being depleted by reason of suits against the Southern for violation of the merger law of South Carolina, and that already suits to the amount of \$470,000 are pending against the Southern.

Pardon Applications.

The Governor took the following action on applications for pardons: The case of H. J. Mattox, retaining, sentenced to four months in jail, and the prisoner was a saloon-keeper in Goldsboro. The people by vote adopted pro-hibition, and in defiance of law he continued to sell liquor. Judge and solicitor refuse to recommend a pardon, seeing no merit in the application, and it is refused.

State vs. John McNeill, of Richmond, convicted of larceny and sentenced to five years on the roads of Anson. Solicitor, two attorneys assisting solicitor and prosecutor, recommend a pardon, and after reviewing all the evidence, this case is granted a pardon on condition of good behavior.

State vs. Ephraim Henaley, manslaughter, sentenced to the penitentiary for two years. Prisoner is 70 years of age. His son killed a man and fled. All the prisoner did was to say before-hand that no one should impose on his son. This was considered as aiding his son and he was convicted. The judge and solicitor recommended a pardon, which is granted on condition of good behavior.

State vs. Ed. Williams, of Graham, assault with a deadly weapon, sentenced 5 months on the roads of Swain. The prisoner on his own evidence was guilty. He used excessive force and insolent when the victim was fleeing. The application is refused.

State vs. John Miller, of Rutherford, indecent exposure of person, 4 months on the roads of Hatteras. By Governor Aycock last January. Neither the judge nor solicitor recommended the pardon, and the ruling of Governor Aycock is deemed correct. Petition is refused.

State vs. A. B. Norton, of Robeson, convicted of murder in the second degree, sentenced to 20 years in the penitentiary. The application is granted by Governor Aycock last January. Neither the judge nor solicitor recommended the pardon, and the ruling of Governor Aycock is deemed correct. Petition is refused.

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A RALEIGH TRAGEDY

John Dockery Shot Twice By Father of Girl Who Claims He Seduced Her

ANOTHER YOUNG MAN INVOLVED

For the Alleged Betrayal of His Daughter, Policeman Isaac Rogers Takes Summary Revenge Upon Son of United States Marshal H. C. Dockery.

Raleigh, Special.—Raleigh is again in the midst of a profound sensation, one in which two men, both prominent, and two young women, are the chief figures. Saturday morning United States Deputy Marshal John Dockery, a son of Marshal Henry C. Dockery, was shot in the Tucker building by Policeman Isaac Rogers, to avenge what is said to be the seduction of the young daughter of the latter. Friday the first part of the affair developed. Then Mr. Henry C. Howell, a stakeholder in the city market, consulted Messrs. Argo & Shaffer, attorneys, in regard to a civil suit against United States District Attorney Claudius Bernard, on the charge of seduction. The daughter is named Bertha, and her age is given between 16 and 17 years. It is stated by the father that a neighbor had called attention to the fact that the young woman and a daughter of Policeman Rogers, whose age is 13, had been seen in company with Bernard and Dockery at a house of ill repute in East Raleigh, kept by a woman named May. Miss Howell's father spoke of the matter and she made a full statement. She said that she and Miss Rogers went driving with Bernard and Dockery. Miss Howell having been introduced to Bernard, whom she told was a traveling man and not married. The drive was taken in the day time and the girls were invited to stop at the house and partake of lemonade. The girls said that once within the doors were closed and they were not allowed to leave. Such was the statement which Attorney Thomas M. Argo said had been made by both of the young women, Miss Howell and Miss Rogers.

ANTE-MORTEM DEPOSITION.

The ante-mortem deposition of Dockery was taken, the physicians saying that his injury was serious. His age is 27 years. He has been much in society here and is very widely known among the younger set. A visit was made by a newspaper man to the office of the sheriff, but Attorneys Harris & Shaffer said they had advised their client, Rogers, not to make any statements. They intimated that one would be made later. Mr. Argo spoke in behalf of his particular client, Mr. Howell.

Through the North.

The Chicago Civic Federation advised against municipal ownership.

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The Lutheran Synod continued its sessions in Pittsburg and received reports on church extension and other subjects.

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Jesse Wilson, of Indiana, was appointed Assistant Secretary of the Interior, to succeed M. W. Miller, resigned.

The hot weather caused four deaths in Brooklyn, N. Y.

It is rumored in Philadelphia that Mayor Weaver may cause the arrest of his search for the North Pole, an organization leader, in connection with certain contracts.

Foreign Affairs.

Emperor Nicholas received a delegation of Zemstovs, to whom he reaffirmed his intention of calling a national assembly.

Germany, suspecting Europe's intention, has engaged in unusual naval activity.

The Chinese movement to boycott American goods is growing steadily.

Field Marshal Yamato is gradually extending his line of Japanese troops from the Mongolian frontier to the Sea of Japan.

NEWS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY

Minor Happenings of the Week at Home and Abroad.

Down in Dixie.

Miss Virginia Downer, of Norfolk, was drowned at Alexandria.

Mrs. Eva Fuller was burned to death at Petersburg from kindling fire with coal oil.

Struck and killed by a Seaboard passenger train on Wednesday.

Gen. William R. Cox was married on Wednesday in Richmond, Va., to Miss Chloë Anne of the War Department.

The Virginia Corporation Commission has held that Standard Oil and the American Gas Companies must pay charter fees of \$5,000 and \$3,000, respectively.

The annual meeting of the Southern wholesale grocers began at Norfolk.

The training ship at Annapolis, known heretofore as Chesapeake, has been named the Severn.

O. M. Baldinger, a Norfolk political worker, was convicted of offering forged voters transfers and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

Elsie, the baby of Mr. Jack Penow, of Lynchburg, was strangled to death, his clothes having caught in the spring as it fell out of bed.

The Credit Men's Association selected Baltimore as the meeting place for next year.

Confederate veterans paraded through the principal streets of Louisville, Ky.

In the municipal election at Jacksonville, Fla., the local Independent party, which was re-elected, receiving 1,337 out of 1,473 votes cast. In St. Augustine, Mayor Boyce was re-elected by 153 majority.

At the National Capital.

Maj.-Gen. John C. Bates succeeded Major-General Gillespie as assistant chief of staff of the War Department.

Attorney-General Moody submitted to President Roosevelt a statement relating to the Sante Fe rebate cases and Secretary Morton's connection with them.

Secretary Shaw is to try the experiment of paying Government employees by check instead of cash.

The President has appointed a committee of five to investigate the business methods of the Government and suggests needed reforms.

A Washington special says: "It is intimated in official circles here that negotiations are proceeding looking to an armistice between Japan and Russia. The stumbling block in the way of an armistice appears to be that neither belligerent is willing to take the initiative. The present negotiations, it is understood, consists of an effort to sound one or both governments as to their willingness to agree to an armistice."

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IN NORTH CAROLINA

Occasional Interest in Various Parts of the State.

Charlotte Cotton Market.

These figures represent prices paid to wagons:

Good middling	8 15-16
Strict middling	8 15-16
Amstutz, quiet	8 15-16
Tinges	7 to 7 3/4
Status	6 1/2 to 7 1/4

Galveston, steady 9 3/4 to 10 1/4
New Orleans, firm 9 1-16
Mobile, firm 8 1/2 to 9
Savannah, steady 8 1/2 to 9
Wilmington, quiet 8 1/2 to 9
Norfolk, steady 8 1/2 to 9
Baltimore, normal 9 1/4
Boston, quiet 9 1/2 to 10
Philadelphia, steady 9 1/4 to 9 1/2
Houston, quiet 9 1/4
Memphis, firm 8 1/2 to 9
St. Louis, quiet 9
Louisville, firm 9 1/4

Rural Mail Carriers.

Ashville, Special.—The North Carolina Association of Rural Mail Carriers will meet in Asheville on July 4, and from letters received by President Monday, of the association, there will be over 200 carriers here at that time. Many of the carriers have written the president they will be accompanied by their wives, and it is expected that this year's convention will be the largest attended in the history of the organization.

War on Monday Lenders.

Winston-Salem, Special.—The Winston-Salem lenders have decided to make war on money lenders in this city, especially those who loan small amounts and charge extra amounts for "writing papers." Tax Collector Farrow has been instructed to collect a \$500 tax on every concern dealing in money-lending business in this city. The authorities hold that under the amended loan laws are liable for this tax.

The tobacco committee reported in favor of a 10 per cent. profit to the jobber.

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This report, with a copy of the evidence taken in this investigation, will be transmitted to the Attorney General for such action thereon as may be deemed proper.

Potest Made President.

Raleigh, Special.—At a meeting of the board of trustees of Wake Forest College here, Prof. William S. Potest, of the college faculty, was chosen to succeed Dr. Taylor as president of the institution. Dr. Taylor has been head of the institution for twenty years and it is owing to feebleness that he decided to resign. Professor Potest has been professor of biology at Wake Forest for a long time.

New Enterprises.

The State grants a charter to the Burlington Home Company, capital stock \$50,000. R. E. L. Holt, and others, stockholders. The Hickory Railway and Power Company is authorized to increase its capital stock from \$125,000 to \$300,000, and to issue bonds to the latter amount.

North State News.

Curator Brimly and State Entomologist Franklin Sherman, are on a visit to the lakes near Newbern, where they are collecting specimens. Mr. Brimly, being after alligators and things of that kind, and Mr. Sherman in search of insects, the field there being very rich indeed.

The corporation commission as the State board of assessors will devote next week to the assessment of all the railroads, telegraph and telephone companies, in fact all common carriers exercising the right of eminent domain. From these returns the commission will be able to give the figures not only as to the increase in valuation but to the amounts of mileage. It is expected that the new rates during the past few years will be so large as to make quite a good showing, as construction is in progress on a number of lines.

Permission is granted to the Raleigh and Southport railroad company for an increase of its capital stock from \$150,000 to \$650,000. The secretary of state having been notified by President John A. Mills and Secretary S. P. Ricks, that the directors had voted to increase of such an amount.

The Guilford Leather Manufacturing Company, of Greensboro, is authorized to increase its capital stock from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

GROCCERS ADJOURN

Important Meeting Was Held With Entire Harmony

THE OFFICIAL BOARD IS ELECTED

After a Spirited Discussion of a Report From a Portion of a Committee, Urging Differentials on Flour, Hay, Grain, Grits and Corn Meal in Less Than Car Loads, the Matter Was Left in Status Quo.

Norfolk, Va., Special.—The Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association adjourned Wednesday night. The old officers were elected as follows:

President, J. A. Van Hoose, Birmingham, Ala.; first vice president, G. P. Thompson, New Orleans; second vice president, R. W. Woodson, Memphis; treasurer, S. W. Lee, Birmingham.

Advisory board: J. A. Van Hoose, Birmingham; Theodore Melcher, Charleston; B. F. Bowen, Jacksonville; J. R. Williams, Lynchburg; Adolph Greyer, Little Rock; A. McD. Wilson, Atlanta.

The advisory board will elect the secretary and special representative of the association.

The most spirited discussion of the session was caused by the introduction of a resolution from a portion of the committee on differentials and freight rates reviving the old proposition to differentials on less than car-load lots. The committee recommended that the president and the advisory board take the matter up with the railroads, urging a differential in favor of flour, hay, grain, grits and corn meal.

H. B. Goodridge, of Norfolk, opposed the report, which he said was not an expression of the entire committee. The report was referred back to the committee, which later brought in another report, referring the entire proposition to the advisory board at the event it saw fit to take it up. The consensus of opinion seemed to be against a fight with the railroads on this subject.

A report was adopted urging the general use of cotton products and recommending that wholesale grocers subsidize cotton bagging for jute and bagging of other materials.

The fire insurance committee was authorized to devise a plan of reciprocal fire insurance, and directed to take the matter up with the advisory board and report at the next convention in favor of a 10 per cent. profit to the jobber.

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To Test Sunday Baseball.

Jacksonville, Fla., Special.—A warrant was issued by Justice of the Peace Paris for the arrest of William C. West, president of the Jacksonville Amusement Company, owners of the Jacksonville baseball franchise of the South Atlantic League, charging him with violating the law prohibiting the playing of baseball on Sun days.

The warrant was not served Tuesday, but was served Thursday morning. It is understood that the warrant was issued at the instigation of the franchise owners, who are anxious to have the law tested as to its constitutionality.

Raced With Express Train.

Hamburg, by Cable.—In an attempt to prove that an automobile can speed as fast as an express train, Emperor William, while coming from Hanover to this city, ran an exciting race with a train at a point where the road and railway are parallel. The Kaiser's machine maintained a speed of 60 miles an hour as long as the race continued and it was only ended in disappointment, as the result of a fire bursting on the Emperor's machine.

Roanoke Gets Convention.

Lynchburg, Va., Special.—The Republican state committee here is in meeting lasting more than five hours, decided to hold its State convention for the nomination of a full State ticket to be voted upon at the November election, at Roanoke, Tuesday, August 8th. The convention will have nearly 500 delegates. Richmond, Norfolk, Newport News made contests for the convention, but Roanoke won by a good majority on the first ballot.

Degree For Takahira.

Medford, Mass., Special.—The degree of LL.D. was conferred upon the Japanese minister to the United States, M. Takahira, and Governor Douglas, of Massachusetts, in connection with the observance of the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the State of Massachusetts to the world.

Great Britain may take part in the proposed international Moroccan conference, if France finally consents.

AN INDEPENDENT MOVEMENT

Farmers and Business Men Will Erect Building of 2,000 Bales Capacity—Corporation to be Largely Mutual.

Maxton, Special.—The farmers and business men of Maxton and the surrounding country held a meeting here Wednesday to consider the building of a bonded cotton warehouse. A good number of men representing large farming interests were present, and the unanimity of their action showed that they meant business. It was decided to build a warehouse with a capacity of 2,000 bales for the 1905-6 season. A committee consisting of President Evans, of the Bank of Maxton, and Messrs. J. K. McGirt, P. H. McArthur, L. W. McKinnon, A. McL. McRae and J. A. McLean were appointed to select subscriptions for the corporation. A second committee composed of Messrs. A. H. Currie, H. W. McNatt and A. H. Currie was also appointed to select a site and contract for the building of the warehouse.

The purpose of those interested in the movement is to make the corporation as much as possible a mutual concern, owned and controlled by the farmers. Several precautions were taken to secure this. The stock will be divided into shares of \$10 each, and no one will be allowed to own more than fifty shares. The soliciting committee was instructed to begin this work by making a thorough canvass of the farmers, and to endeavor to secure more subscriptions were needed, to solicit them from the business men of the town.

The building of this warehouse means a great deal for the farmers and merchants of this section. It means that the farmer can hold his cotton for any length of time without fear of damage by weather or fire and at the same time be able to collect a reasonable price for his cotton. The warehouse will be bonded, and his certificate that cotton has been deposited will be accepted by all banks. The farmers will thus be able to hold their cotton and will not be compelled to sacrifice it to pay for fertilizer bills. The weather will be less of a danger to their crop. The warehouse will thus be a money saving device. In some cases cotton was sold for no other reason than that the farmer had no safe place to store it.

Peace Conference Dates.

St. Petersburg, by Cable.—Negotiations for the peace conference have taken an important step forward; a proposition for the date of the meeting of the plenipotentiaries at Washington having been submitted to Russia and being now under consideration.

The exact date proposed has not been settled, but there is reason to suppose that it is some time during the first week or ten days of August, which is about the earliest period at which the Japanese representatives could be expected to reach Washington.

The Emperor's answer is not expected for a day or two, as the diplomatic mills of Russia grind slowly, and the Foreign Office, as one of the secretaries put it, is not anxious to hasten the Japanese methods; "but it is thought that the date will be satisfactory, as it will give ample time for Mr. Nelidoff, the Russian ambassador at Paris, or other Russian negotiators, to reach Washington, and there will be little preliminary work for them to do until the Japanese terms are submitted.

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