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THE GREATEST SEA DISASTER OF MODERN TIMES.

Titanic Sinks to Death With 1,575 Human Beings on Board.

The world has not had such a shock in modern times as has come through the sinking of the big ship "Titanic," bound from Liverpool to New York, on Monday, April 15th, carrying 1,575 human beings down to their death in the Atlantic.

We are told that it is the unexpected that happens. This is an instance which proves the truth of this much quoted proverb. The Titanic's passengers were preparing to enjoy a social affair of great magnitude on board the day following the disaster, and when the crash came they were slow to realize the meaning of it.

In less than one hour after the ship struck a gigantic iceberg all that was left of the magnificent craft with no less than two-thirds of her human cargo was at the bottom of the sea.

The "Titanic" was making her first trip on the seas, and was making a record run. She carried 2,000 passengers and only 14 lifeboats. The boats would carry only about 60 people each, and a horrible loss of life was inevitable.

It is also said that sufficient discretion was not used in the matter of speed through a sea known to be filled with icebergs, and that they did not heed certain warnings to that effect. J. Bruce Ismay, the managing director of the White Star Line and principal owner of the Titanic, who was on board the ill-fated steamer, is censured by the press and public for his part in the matter. He was saved from the wreck, and many argue that he should have stayed with the ship till the last, as did the captain and other principal officers. Mr. Ismay denies being responsible for the speed of the craft, but admits that it was running 26 miles an hour, only a trifle less than the maximum speed.

Another phase of the tragedy which is very grievous is that the good ship sank to its death with scarcely over five miles away, and an unidentified steamer that might have saved all failed or refused to see the frantic signals flashed to it for aid.

Wives were rushed by the officers into the lifeboats, leaving husbands behind, in respect to the unwritten law of the sea of "ladies first." Fathers gave up their children and watched them lorne away from them to safety.

Several children made orphans by the disaster, have been adopted by prominent families in New York.

The survivors of the wreck were brought to harbor by the ship Carpathia. Several died of nervous shock and exposure on board the Carpathia.

Bodies of the drowned are now being recovered where the Titanic went down.

Investigation into the disaster is being conducted. Senator F. M. Simmons of North Carolina is on the investigating committee.

Married.

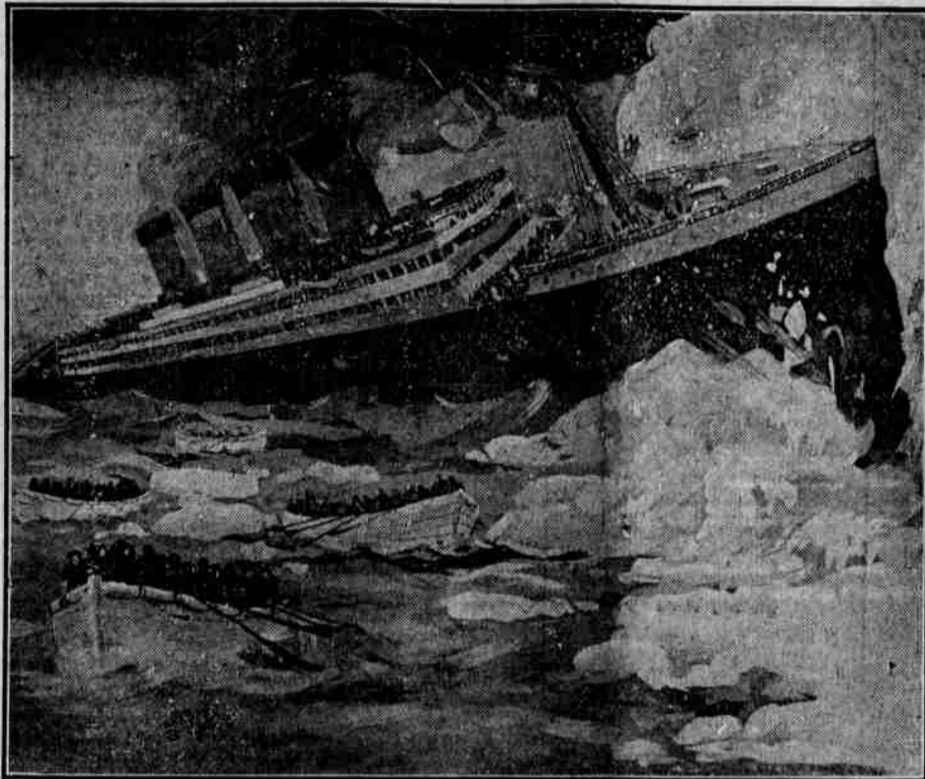
At the residence of the officiating J. P. E. A. McMasters on April 21 Mr. Lawrence Duncan and Miss Mabel Coble both of Randolph county. The attending couples were Walter Ellison and Miss Mattie Lednum, Thos. Fraiser and Miss Pearl Duncan.

Only a few close friends and near relatives were invited. Immediately after the ceremony all were invited to a bountiful dinner which impressed our minds with the splendid training and complete ability of the bride to accept the responsibility of a home.

The bride is the daughter of W. H. Coble of Ramseur, Rt. 2, the groom a son of H. S. Duncan of Biler City Rt. 2. Their many friends join in wishing them a long and happy life, but the young people reluctantly give them up as they were popular in social life.

Lambert-Fresnell

Mr. L. B. Lambert, foreman of the Asheboro Courier office, and Miss Flora Fresnell, of Asheboro were married Saturday morning at Randolph. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Taylor, immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Lambert took the train to Statesville to spend their honeymoon.



ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF THE TITANIC'S SURVIVORS IN THE LIFEBOATS AND SCENE ON HER DECKS JUST AFTER SHE WAS STRUCK BY THE ICEBERG, DRAWN FROM DESCRIPTIONS BY THE RESCUED.

Funeral of Thiers Leach

The remains of Mr. Thiers Leach, accompanied by his sister, Mrs. Cowhoben, arrived here this morning about 3 o'clock and were met at the station by relatives and friends. The funeral services were held this afternoon, a short service at the hotel at 3:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. S. H. Hilliard. The remains were then taken in charge by the Greensboro Lodge of Elks of which the deceased was a member, and the burial conducted under the rites of that order.

The members of the local lodge also attended the funeral and took part in the services and were joined by a large number of citizens.

The funeral was largely attended, there being quite a number of friends from nearby towns.

The following were the pall-bearers: C. A. Barbee, J. D. Hoskins, E. S. Parrish, El. Barns, Fred Laasite and E. W. Fries.

The city council of which the deceased was a member, the mayor and other officers attended in a body. The floral offerings were numerous and very beautiful.—High Point Enterprise.

Members of Randolph Corn Contest

The following boys have joined the Corn Club Contest of Randolph county. Those who have not sent in their names should do so at once to I. O. Schaub, West Raleigh, in order that they may receive the bulletins sent out by the State department. There should be at least a hundred contestants in the county: Frank Baldwin, Houston Cox, Bryan Cox, Claud Dorsett, Ray Hill, Carl Hineshaw, Calvin Hoover, Percy Jordan, Frank Jordan, Charlie Luck, Reid Loftin, Percy Morgan, Neil Sheffield, Frank Shofner, Ernest Strider, Alfred Wicko, Will Wall, Clarence Kivest, Willie Brower, Percy Welch, George Bush, Worth Kearns, Clark Spencer, Dewey English, Dorsey Lewis, Samuel Lewis, Louis Cooper, Bascom Richardson, Fred Morris, Benny Crowell, John Shelly, Ernest Davis, Aderson Birkhead, DeWitt Richardson, Oland Coltrane, Lindsay Snider, Clayton Welborn, James Oshatt, Thomas Snider, Roland Briles, White, Elliott, Robert Hammond, Carl Elliott, Ohas. Hays, Sam Hineshaw, DeWitt Fogleman, Oscar Wall.

Indian School for Robeson County.

Senator Simmons has succeeded in securing an amendment to the Indian appropriation bill appropriating \$25,000 for a school for the Indians of Robeson county to be located at Pembroke. This is the first appropriation ever made for this band of Indians. They now have a small school building which cost about \$3,000 at Pembroke. The school which will be established under this appropriation will be under government control and will, after being built by this appropriation, be maintained by the government.

Roosevelt in North Carolina.

Mr. Roosevelt made a number of short speeches in North Carolina Monday, beginning at 7 o'clock a. m. at Asheville and closing at 4 o'clock p. m. in the auditorium of the State Normal and Industrial College at Greensboro.

Rebuilding Hosiery Mills.

Work has been begun in Kernersville toward the rebuilding of the American Hosiery Mills which were destroyed by fire last week. The new building will be a modern structure and will be situated near the Southern railway track.

Ramseur Items and Commencement Notes.

Neil Martin has made a very neat addition to his home on Liberty St. A large number of our people attended the closing exercises of Coleridge graded school on Saturday.

The following members of Ramseur Concert Band left Monday morning to participate in the big Roosevelt celebration in Greensboro: D. C. Worburton, Instructor; H. B. Moore, N. F. Marsh, V. G. Coward, O. A. Finney, Fred Finis, Geo. Hodgins, Earl Baldwin, Egbert Baldwin, Wilson Hill, Preston Cox, Dr. Danabue, Fletcher Alfred, Alfred Alfred, Will York, John Brady Cecil York, Newby Phillips and Wald Copland.

Prof. Ellis left on the early train Saturday morning for Raleigh where he will spend several days with his mother before going to his home in Chattanooga, despite the early hour. He had a large number of his pupils were on hand to bid him goodbye.

Among the merry visitors in town from a distance who attended commencement were Misses Dixie Roming, Ryder Rodgers, Ida Turner, of Greensboro, Miss Elizabeth Wheeler of Whitson, Miss Missessence of Sanford, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Parks of Franklinville, H. H. Kinary of Greensboro, Mrs. Maggie Lasky and children of Spray Mrs. Cattie Jordan and daughter, Miss Elma of Silver City, C. B. Harris and C. C. Guy of Liberty, B. F. Newby, G. P. Martock, W. M. Hammond and Hon. W. C. Hammer of Asheville.

Prof. W. P. White Supt. of Randolph graded schools brought a number of students to commencement.

The game of ball between Randleman and Ramseur on commencement day was a splendid game and resulted in a score of 17 to 6 in favor of Ramseur. No finer team or set of young men ever visited Ramseur.

Miss Ethel King and Rufus King of Why Not visited Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Forrester after attending the commencement.

Mrs. Jas. Gagle and Miss Minnie Hilton of Greensboro were the guests of Mrs. W. D. Lane during the commencement.

Mrs. Zeck Clark and Miss Clark of Fayetteville are visiting Mrs. G. M. Whitehead.

Commencement Exercises of Ramseur Graded School

The commencement exercises of the Ramseur Graded School began on April 14th and closed on the 19th. On Sunday, April 14th, in the M. E. Church at 11 o'clock, the Rev. Dr. J. O. Atkinson, of Eden College, presided the annual sermon to the graduating class. Dr. Atkinson was not a stranger to Ramseur and his reputation as a pulpit orator was well known. On this occasion the large congregation was held in rapt attention for over an hour with the eloquence and power of the gifted speaker.

On Wednesday night the primary and grammar grades gave a most delightful and enjoyable entertainment reflecting much credit on their instructors.

On Thursday night there was held a contest for two medals offered annually by two of her most public-spirited gentlemen, I. F. Craven and E. U. Watkins. The declamations and recitations were all well rendered and much enjoyed by the large audience present. The first prize for the best declamation was won by Thos. B. Parks, Jr., and the second prize by Woodley E. Marley.

The prize for the best recitation was won by Miss Lizzie Farris. The second prize was awarded to Miss Pauline Smith. These medals were very happily presented by Rev. T. E. White and O. P. Ader. On Friday morning the inspiring graduating exercises were held. The following young men completed the full course and were presented with diplomas: Lucy William Black, Frederick Ross Burgess, Henry Clay Jones, Woodley Edwin Marley, Valuedorian and Paul Virgil Parks.

The following persons completed the 10th grade except in one or two studies and were given diplomas: Misses Lela Ferrer, Lizzie Forrester, Madge Moffitt, Sue Miller and Messrs John Calvin Pearce, Ernest C. York, A. Cecil York and G. E. Edgar York.

The following having completed the 9th grade were given certificates: Messrs. Frederick Leonard, Thos. B. Parks, Jr., Horace Way and McAlister White. Misses Clatie Marley, Annie Oiler, Rauline Smith, Stella Stout, Edna Whitehead, Swannah York. The diplomas and certificates were most eloquently presented by Hon. Bruce Craven, of Trinity.

On Friday afternoon Hon. Walter Clark delivered the literary address. North Carolinians from mountain to seashore know the ability and eloquence of Judge Clark. His address was well worthy of the man and the hour. It was able, thoughtful, eloquent and inspiring. At night a beautiful play was read by the young people which was highly enjoyed by a packed house. Thus ended one of the most successful and most enjoyable commencements ever held in Ramseur. The splendid music for the occasion was furnished by the Ramseur Concert Band.

From the beginning of the commencement to its very close everything passed off in perfect harmony reflecting great and lasting credit upon that matchless gentleman and gifted educator, Prof. D. L. Ellis, and his very able and proficient corps of assistants.

Steed News

Wheat is looking very well in this section and farmers are very busy preparing for a corn crop.

Mrs. Mary A. Auman and granddaughter, Miss Oia Freeman, left last week for Sanford where they go to visit relatives for a few days.

J. B. Williams, our clever R. F. D. man, trades horses occasionally.

R. B. Auman lost a fine Percheron colt last week.

Walter Cranford, of Sur, is in town for a few days.

Colin Steed visited Tom Herriman Sunday.

R. R. Auman's barn is nearing completion.

Jury-Packing Doomed

Recalling twenty or more murders committed in Haywood county during the last few years, a rural correspondent of the Canton Observer notes the further fact that but one murderer, an ignorant negro, paid the death penalty for his crime. The inference from his story is that nearly all or quite all of the white murderers got off scott-free. He is led to discuss this subject by a recent horrible murder at Clyde where an unoffending boy was pursued and wantonly shot down by two men. He has no idea that these men will ever be punished at all, and the blame he places upon the jury system which we have. He does not know much about law, nor a great deal about courts, but in more than one homicide case he has seen juries packed so that they were almost certain to acquit. To remedy this state of affairs he would have ten men of good character and standing selected by voters in each township, and their names kept at the courthouse as those from whom the jury to try all cases of felony shall be formed. This, he believes, would clearly reduce the opportunity to get an ignorant or prejudiced or partisan jury for the trial of a capital case.

It is gratifying to observe that the need of reform in our court and jury systems is engaging the attention not only of enlightened and public-spirited lawyers but also of the man who lives ten miles or more out from anywhere on a bad public road. At this rate the sporting theory of justice, with the accused enjoying every advantage under the rules of the game cannot long survive.—Charlotte Observer.

New Cure for Hydrophobia.

A new treatment of hydrophobia was described in the college of physicians at their annual meeting in Philadelphia, April 5.

While the treatment in its essentials is similar to that of Pasteur, it is so far an improvement on the old method that it can be administered easily at any hospital by any physician, avoiding dangerous delays, and the expense of sending the patient away.

The new treatment was tried first on the discoverer himself, Dr. L. D. Harris, city bacteriologist of St. Louis, who owes his life to its use.

The Harris virus is obtained by grinding the dry brain of an infected rabbit, and subjecting to processes which render it into a yellowish brown powder. It is then placed in hermetically-sealed glass tubes for use when needed.

Free Lectures to Farmers Saturday

The Dairy Instruction car which the Southern railway is running over its lines, will visit Asheboro Saturday April 27. This car is fitted up with the machinery and apparatus necessary to the small farm dairy. Dr. C. M. Morgan, the dairy agent of the Southern railway, and dairy men from the A & M College, will be on the car. These men will give illustrated lectures that will interest every man who keeps a cow. They will tell how to make money from cows. Milk will be tested free of charge, advice and instruction given on all Southern dairy problems.

Farmers and dairymen should visit the car next Saturday and get the benefit of these free illustrated lectures.

Body of Mrs. Thompson Brought to Greensboro.

The body of Mrs. Samuel Thompson, mother of Silas Thompson of Greensboro, who died in Thomasville Thursday of last week, was brought to Greensboro and the funeral services held there at the residence of her son, Friday morning. Interment was made in Green Hill Cemetery.

E. A. Brown Dead.

Edward Arthur Brown, first commissioner of public safety of Greensboro died suddenly Thursday after an illness of only a few hours of apical meningitis. He was in his office at regular hours Wednesday and attended a board meeting in the afternoon.

Mr. Brown was born in Salisbury and was 39 years of age. His wife and two small children survive him.

COLERIDGE COMMENCEMENT

Large Crowd Attends Closing Exercises and Hears Address by Bruce Craven

In spite of the drizzling rain that fell nearly all day Saturday, a big crowd was at the closing of the graded school at Coleridge, and the day was in every way pleasant and successful.

This delightful, happy and prosperous community is in one of the best sections of the county and there are no better people anywhere. The school occupies a beautiful and convenient building and is a school among the very best. The principal, Prof. D. E. Highfill, assisted by Misses Fentress and Ellis, has been unusually successful during the past year, and has given general satisfaction to all friends of the institution.

The Franklinville Concert Band furnished music for the occasion and proved an attractive feature of the day. A picnic dinner was served on the grounds and the thousand people that were there to spend the day and enjoy themselves, did so.

The recitations and declamations by the girls and boys would do credit to any city school and were very much complimented.

Bruce Craven, of Trinity, was the speaker of the day and was bappily introduced by Prof. Wright, of Shiloh. This is the birthplace of Mr. Craven's grandfather, the great Dr. Braxton Craven, and the brilliant grandson was given a hearty welcome "back to his own people." The school Auditorium was crowded and a large number stood during his entire address, which was only about an hour in length. He spoke on "Courageous Manhood" and through it all were mingled humor and wit, with plain common sense, and the fire of the orator. He was listened to with the intensest interest and was enthusiastically applauded. Mr. Craven was suffering with a very severe cold and hoarseness for which he apologized, but all who heard him are wondering after hearing this address, than which we have never had a better, what he could do if he felt good.

New Roller Mills at Saphira and Allreds.

Mr. H. A. Nieding, representative of the Robinson Manufacturing company of Muncy, Pa., has sold a roller flour mill on lot 60 barrels daily capacity for the new roller mill at Saphira owned by O. W. Spencer and John T. Brookshire and son.

Mr. Nieding has also sold a 60-barrel capacity mill to J. F. Allred, who is building a mill on Little river, in Montgomery county. Mr. Allred's new mill is at the place where Allred's saw mill was formerly, the postoffice now being four miles away.

Clean up Days.

The clean up days fixed by the enterprising and up-to-date women of Asheboro have come and gone.

The thing to do now is to make every day a clean up day until the town is as clean as a neat as a new-made pin.

Cleanliness is not only next to godliness, but next to beauty. It is also next to health. To clean up the back yard means more space for flower and vines that will help to make flower gardens where tin cans and chips and litter and trash have reigned supreme.

Make flower gardens of back yards as well as front ones. If you have not cleaned up your premises do so without further delay. Then plant flowers, shrubs, etc. The planting is as important as the cleaning up. Don't forget to burn all trash and litter and lime plentifully.

Book Club With Mrs. Auman.

The Randolph Book Club had an interesting meeting Friday afternoon with Mrs. B. L. Auman at the home of Mrs. Martha Blair. Mrs. R. C. Kelly read an instructive paper on Wales, followed by interesting notes on Wales given by different members.

Miss Marton Moring and Mrs. Auman rendered a delightful musical program.

The hostess was assisted in serving delicious cream and cake by Miss Estel Barr. This meeting was the last of the club for the present year.