

THREE MILLION DOLLAR FIRE AT CONEY ISLAND

New York, May 26. — A big fire, entailing a loss that will exceed \$3,000,000, started at Coney Island at 2 o'clock this morning and was not under control until 8. Dreamland, fronting the ocean, was completely wrecked. Captain Ferraris' animal show, the biggest in the country, was also destroyed, most of the animals being shot to prevent their escape into the crowds. Feltman's roller coaster was burned to the ground.

It is thought that the fire started from either crossed electric wires or a cigarette stump inside one of the shows. The firemen bravely risked their lives in effort to control the fierce blaze. The fire beats from Manhattan and Brooklyn pumped tons of water from the ocean before the fire was extinguished.

The care-takers lost their heads and opened the cages containing lions, tigers, baboons, leopards and other wild beasts, which charged the crowds and gave battle to the firemen, endangering many lives.

Six incubator babies were saved at the imminent risk of losing his own life by Police J. J. Krink. All the babies will live.

SOUTH CAROLINA DEMOCRAT APPOINTED DISTRICT JUDGE

Washington, May 25. — President Taft late yesterday announced the appointment of Henry A. Smith, of Charleston, S. C., as district judge of South Carolina. Mr. Smith is a Democrat.

The appointment of Judge Smith was made upon the recommendation of Senator Smith, of South Carolina. He will succeed Judge Brawley, who retired recently on attaining his 70th birthday. Judge Smith is about 57 years of age, a lawyer of great learning and ability, and has practiced law for over 35 years. According to a statement given out at the White House the new judge comes of a splendid family; is a man of the most exemplary personal character and is closely associated with the best of history of South Carolina.

His circumstances are such that the emoluments of the office have no attraction for him," says the statement, "but at the suggestion of the President, he has consented to accept the appointment."

FOUND BOOZE MILL UNDER THE HOUSE OF THEIR HOST

Hickory, May 22. — Revenue officers Kanipe and Sams returned this afternoon from the South Mountain section of Burke county, where they report having had a very unique experience. For two years reports have been coming to the officers that a certain man in that section was making joy juice without the consent or permission of Uncle Sam, and yesterday they decided to make a thorough investigation. Arriving at South Mountain, they climbed one of its highest peaks in a vain hunt for the booze plant. Returning to the foot of the mountain they proceeded to the home of LaFayette Chapman, where they hoped to get lodging for the night. On arriving there they found the home deserted save for some small children, who informed the officers that the father and mother had gone across the river for some tomato plants.

The officers sent a small boy for his father and sat down in the yard to await his return. Soon they discovered a stream of water flowing under the house and an investigation disclosed a complete distillery in full blast not more than three feet from the chimney.

Thus they turned what looked to be an unsuccessful raid into a successful one and a supposed host into a prisoner.

It must be great to be skinny in this hot weather.

MR. BRYAN CASTIGATES THE SUPREME COURT

Lincoln, Neb., May 25. — William J. Bryan, in today's issue of his Commoner, editorially castigates the Supreme Court decision in the Standard Oil case and the court itself. Bryan says:

"The decision will prove disappointing to the country. The real meat in the decision is to be found in the amendment of the anti-trust law to meet the demands of the trusts.

"The decision explains why Justice White was made chief justice instead of Justice Harlan. Second, it explains why Governor Hughes was made a justice. Third, it explains the discriminating care exercised by the President in selecting Democrats who would help the Republicans out of a hole by making the Democratic party bear some of the odium of a decision that builds a bulwark around the predatory corporations. Fourth, it explains why 'Wall Street went over to Mr. Taft in March or April of 1908 and then coerced their employes and the business public into the support of the Republican candidate in November."

URGES THE UNITED STATES TO DROP THE PHILIPPINES

Nashville, Tenn., May 26. — Judge John W. Judd, who was sent to Porto Rico to investigate the laws and conditions in the Islands by the war department, made a sensational speech before the Tennessee Bar association today, in which he urged that this nation drop the Philippine and beware of the Monroe doctrine as it is now understood.

A prepared paper on "Porto Rico and the Porto Ricans" was to have been read to the convention by Judge Judd, but he stated that he could not read it, as the authorities at Washington had asked him not to give it to the public, asserting it would cause embarrassing diplomatic relations with other countries.

Judge Judd expressed the opinion that if the Monroe doctrine was adhered to as construed by President Roosevelt, it would eventually bring the United States into trouble not dreamed of today.

SECRET MARRIAGE KEPT FOR FOURTEEN MONTHS

Greensboro, May 25. — A secret marriage of 14 months' standing has just been announced by the happy couple in the following note given out for publication yesterday: "Edward E. Turner, formerly of Hillsboro, but now living in Burlington, and Miss Edith Belle Sneed, of South Boston, Va., were married at the residence of Miss Patty Mangum, in Durham, April 3, 1910. Immediately after their wedding Mrs. Turner left for the west without telling her friends of her marriage. On account of fortunate conditions and the faithfulness of those who were present at the ceremony and acted as witnesses, but few suspected until this announcement that the young couple were man and wife."

Mr. Turner met Mrs. Turner yesterday in Danville and arrived in this city on train No. 7. From here the young people left for Hillsboro to spend today with Mr. Turner's parents. They expect to leave for Burlington Monday, where they will make their home in the future. Their many friends will wish for them a long and happy married life.

[Mr. Turner came here about a month ago, having purchased the Stephenson Grocery Company from Mr. E. L. Stephenson. He and Mrs. Turner are boarding with Mr. and Mrs. Stephenson at present.]

Mrs. Geo. Crutchfield of Winston-Salem and sister Miss Mattie Bradshaw of the southern part of the county spent part of the past week the guest of their brother Geo. W. Bradshaw and family.

HARLAN TAKES SHOT AT STANDARD OIL DECISION

Washington, May 25. — Still as opposed to the majority opinion of the Supreme Court in the Standard Oil case, as he was on the day that opinion was announced, Associate Justice Harlan today filed in court his formal dissenting opinion in that suit.

His oral attack on the court for holding that only unreasonable or undue restraints on trade are in violation of the law furnishes the outline for today's broadside against the opinion.

He went further, however, and criticized the court for modifying the decree of the lower court so as to permit the subsidiary companies to enter into agreements among themselves, and expressed a conviction that instead of the opinion giving quiet and rest to the business of the country, it would throw business into confusion and invite widely extended and harassing litigation, the injurious effects of which will be felt for many years to come.

Ever since the case was decided on May 15, Justice Harlan has been preparing his dissenting opinion and it was not complete until today. One of the last changes made, it is said, was to insert a quotation from the decision of Judge Taft, now President Taft, in the Addyston Pipe case, in which Judge Taft said that according to the decision of the Supreme Court, all restraints, whether reasonable or unreasonable under the common law, were forbidden by the statute.

COLORED HOSPITAL BURNS IN RALEIGH

Raleigh, May 26. — During a very severe rain, electric wind storm that swept this city and section this evening lightning struck the wires in a special shaft in St. Agnes hospital through which the wires passed to the different floors and set the shaft on fire, panic spread through the hospital in which were eighteen negro patients. These were gotten out without any serious results that have yet developed. Damage by fire and water was probably \$500.

Five years ago a frame hospital was burned and the present structure is of stone, three stories. It is a part of the plant of St. Augustine school 'Episcopal.' The wind reached a velocity of 42 miles an hour. A rain storm followed, the total fall being .59 inches. The weather bureau reports this as the hottest day of the year here, the temperature reaching 92.5 degrees. Part of the city was left in darkness, the electric wires being put out of commission. Many trees were blown down.

TRAIN CREW POISONED FROM BUTTER MILK

Spencer, May 25. — A wholesale poisoning took place near New London, Stanley county, yesterday afternoon, when a whole train crew partook of buttermilk causing ptomaine poisoning. With a view to a good dinner, a quantity of fresh milk was placed in the cooler on the engine of a freight train. In some way the milk became infected and the entire party with the exception of the conductor, had a narrow escape from death. The sufferers include Engineer C. A. Sigman, Fireman Frank Conrad, Brake-man R. J. Williams, and Brake-man W. C. Melton. The only member of the party to escape was conductor C. A. Surratt, who did not partake of the milk. Soon after the dinner all were seized at the same time with the poison and a physician worked hard for four hours. The sufferers were brought to their homes in Spencer last night and a new crew was sent out to take charge of the train.

C. V. Jones spent Sunday in Hillsboro the guest of friends.

T. F. LLOYD OF ORANGE COUNTY DIED LAST WEEK

At his home in Chapel Hill Captain Thomas F. Lloyd, known as the wealthiest citizen of Orange county, died Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock, after a lingering illness of more than two months from dropsy. Captain Lloyd was aged 70 years.

Simple and plain, but honest, tells of a character that was loved by every man and woman not only in Chapel Hill, but throughout the county in which he resided. With but little schooling and less cash, Captain Lloyd laid the foundation for his fortune years ago by square dealing and zealous labor. Loyalty was the keynote of his success, and no man, poor or rich, ever knew the captain to be unloyal in any business or personal matter.

He is survived by his wife and five brothers—Henry of Chapel Hill; Albert, Morris, Jack and Pink, of Orange county. His only child, Green Lloyd, widely known and unusually popular with the students at the university, died in November, 1907, and the death of his son cast a gloom over the captain which he was unable to withstand.

The funeral services were held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Bethel church, near Chapel Hill, and were largely attended, many citizens going from Durham. Captain Lloyd for years was a Mason, and was laid to rest with Masonic honors. The interment was made in the cemetery near the church. — Durham Sun, 25th.

TRAIN'S FATAL PLUNGE THREE MEN ARE KILLED

Charlotte, May 28. — The news of a headlong plunge of a double-header Seaboard freight train through a burning trestle between Bostic and Ellenboro this afternoon at 5 o'clock, reached Charlotte soon after the occurrence. Three men, all white, were killed. They were: Engineer J. M. Green of Monroe, Engineer J. M. Lindsey of Cherryville and Fireman Roy Dooley of Monroe. The seriously injured were Early Lewis, colored, a fireman from Monroe, and Lon Neely, colored, a brakeman.

Capt. Frank Howell of Charlotte was conductor of the train, which consisted of twenty-nine cars loaded with Clinchfield coal destined for various points in this section and to the south. The train was drawn by two engines, owing to its weight. The fact that the trestle was burning was not discovered until too late to halt before reaching it. Both engines and fifteen of the cars crashed through the fire-eaten woodwork to the stream below, five cars piling up on the two engines. Engineer Green's body was extricated at once. A wrecking train was started from Monroe for the scene of the tragedy as soon as tidings of it reached that place.

The scene of the accident was Watkins trestle, two miles east of Bostic. No other members of the crew except those specified were injured.

JUDGE BOYD CONFIRMS SALE OF NAOMI FALLS COMPANY

Greensboro, May 26. — In the matter of the Naomi Falls Manufacturing Company of Randleman, Judge Boyd, in the United States district court, signed an order confirming the sale of the property and plant to J. E. Gilmer of Winston-Salem. The price bid by Mr. Gilmer is \$31,500, and he also assumes a mortgage of \$32,000 to Lawrence S. Holt of Burlington, holder of bonds on the mill, together with accrued interest amounting to \$2,000. He also takes about \$15,000 worth of cotton bought by the mill, so that the total price to be paid by Mr. Gilmer is not far from \$90,000. It was thought a few days ago that the property would be resold, but the idea was abandoned.

ASK FOR MALITIA TO CAPTURE BLIND TIGER

Raleigh, May 25. — A request came to State guard headquarters here this evening for the military company at Dunn to be ordered out to help surround and capture John Aiken, a "blind tiger," who had probably fatally shot Deputy Sheriff Thaddie Jernigan of Harnett county, when the latter sought him out to serve a capias for failure to appear at court and show, under terms of a suspension of judgement, that he was continuing of good behavior.

Aiken used an automatic gun and successfully defied arrest with it, declaring his purpose to shoot any and all comers. He was heading for a swamp, about a mile from Dunn, when the request for the malitia came.

Adjutant General Leinster directed that the sheriff order out the Dunn company if he deemed it advisable, and the authorities were urged from the Governor's office to use every precaution to prevent a lynching in the event the fugitive was captured. Advances late tonight from Dunn are that Deputy Jernigan is barely alive and that Aiken is still at large.

SOUTHERN FIREMEN WILL NOT LISTEN TO ANY COMPROMISE

Washington, May 28. — Vice-President H. O. Teat of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen will appear before the board of mediation tomorrow afternoon to present the case of the Southern Railway firemen who have voted to strike unless they receive a 20 per cent increase of wages.

While the firemen did not hold out against submitting their case to the board of mediation, as desired by the railroad, they expect little from the good offices of Judge Knapp and Labor Commissioner Neill, the board of mediation named under the Erdman act. They are unwilling to listen to any compromise, believing their claim is a just one.

"The only point we made was that the board should get down to work quickly and submit its plan for a settlement without delay," said Mr. Teat tonight.

Mr. Finley agreed there should be no delay, so far as he was concerned.

Continuing Mr. Teat said: "The Southern Railway is fully able to pay the increased amount we are asking. We now receive from 20 to 40 per cent less than the firemen on the Frisco lines, Illinois Central, Baltimore & Ohio and the Pennsylvania. President Finley compares our wages to those paid by the Seaboard Air Line and the Atlantic Coast Line. That is not a fair comparison, and besides, the former road is just out of the hands of a receiver. We believe our demand is a just one, and it is that or strike."

NEGRO GRABS DOLLAR FROM BOY THEN BURNS THE WIND

Greensboro, May 27. — Charles Johnson, a negro, was arrested late yesterday afternoon near Tabernacle church on a charge of highway robbery and was brought to jail pending the hearing before Justice D. H. Collins, which was held this morning.

The negro was remanded to jail until the June term of court. The specific charge against the negro is taking a dollar belonging to a small son of Jesse DeVinney, near Julian.

A traveling salesman had given the DeVinney boy a dollar to do a job of work for him. The negro saw the boy pocket the money. Later negro asked the boy to let him ride with him to the boy's home. On the way the negro began bantering with the boy and told him he did not have a dollar. The unsuspecting youth pulled the dollar from his pocket, whereupon the negro grabbed it from him and ran. The negro was caught and detained in a house until the officers arrived.

TOBACCO TRUST DECISION IS HANDED DOWN

Washington, May 29. — The American Tobacco Company and its accessories and subordinate corporations and companies, including the English corporation, today were held by the Supreme Court of the United States to be co-operators in combination illegal under the Sherman anti-trust act. The court sent the case back to the lower court with directions to hear further the parties, so as to ascertain whether a new condition cannot be recreated in harmony with the law. Justice Harlan concurred, in part, with the court's opinion, and dissented in part.

The Tobacco Trust decision is characterized by Attorney General Wickersham as a "most comprehensive and sweeping" victory for the government.

The Trust is held to be a combination in restraint of trade—a monopoly in violation of law.

The decision affects 65 American corporations, 2 English corporations and 29 individual defendants. An opportunity is given the Trust to disintegrate and recreate a condition of transaction of business not repugnant to law.

If at the end of six to eight months the corporations fail to bring themselves within the law a receivership and dissolution by court decree will follow.

The Trust is held to have been guilty of intimidation and clearly to have shown a purpose to stifle competition.

Chief Justice White announced the decision, which was practically unanimous although Justice Harlan dissented on several points.

As in the Standard Oil cases Justice Harlan resented the application of the "rule of reason" to the Lherman anti-trust law.

The court having held the defendant corporations guilty of conscious wrong doing, Justice Harlan "is not at all anxious" to perpetuate any new combination growing out of them.

UNIQUE STILL CAPTURED BY REVENUE OFFICER

Hickory, N. C., May 25. — Revenue officers Kanipe, of Marion, and Sams, of Asheville, made a raid on the blind tigers of this section in celebration of the 20th of May and captured an outfit that for uniqueness was a prize winner, yet produced the goods to perfection. The still consisted of a box made from inch and a half timbers covered with galvanized iron, with an arm made by boring a hole through a saw-wood pole with a straight piece piping run into the arm for a worm. The still was a twenty-five gallon outfit. The same parties made another raid Sunday and destroyed considerable of the essential for manufacturing the beverage. Again on Tuesday the same parties made a raid twenty miles from this city and destroyed a forty-five gallon copper still, four fermenters and other essentials.

Mrs. Trego in Burlington

Mrs. Rebecca J. Trego, of Cleveland, Ohio, a speaker of national reputation, will be here at Front St. Methodist Church, June 5th and 6th, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. She will give us two delightful evenings. First subject, "Darkest America," illustrated with stereoscopic views, second, "The Home—its defenses and its enemies." A parlor meeting will be held Monday afternoon at Mrs. J. A. Barnaday's at 4 o'clock. At this meeting Mrs. Trego will speak on "Home and Its Work."

Mrs. Trego is a speaker of unusual ability. She is popular and successful wherever she goes. A cordial invitation extended to the public.

Mrs. C. W. Lloyd of Orange Grove who was in town several days last week the guest of her daughter Mrs. C. Grady Cates returned home Saturday evening.