

DISCOVER TINY BABE
DESERTED AND DYING
IN WOODS NEAR CITY

Child, Not More Than Two
Days Old, Found in Basket
in Woods About 100 Yards
From Keller Church.

THINK NOW THE
CHILD WILL LIVE

Had Been Exposed to Rain
and Cold Many Hours and
Was Nearly Frozen—At
Home of Policeman Now.

A story strikingly similar to that of the infant Moses was told here Saturday by police officers who tell of finding a tiny baby boy in a patch of woods in the 5th township this morning. The hiding place of this modern child was not so different from that of the ancient babe, for although the deserters of the babe found this morning had used broom straw and weeds to hide his resting place instead of bull rushes, they had wrapped him in swaddling clothes and had given him a basket for a crib.

The finding of the babe was reported by members of the family of Mr. Edmund Cook, who lives about six miles from Concord, in No. 5 township, on the old Salisbury Road. As soon as the child was found the police officers were notified and they secured the boy and brought him to Concord.

The kind Providence that guarded the destiny of this babe was surely the fact that he was found in a place where it is nothing less than a miracle. Every fact established so far in the case proves almost conclusively that the child had been deserted a few hours after his birth and had lain for hours in the steady, hard rain that fell Friday and Friday night. Although half frozen from his horrible exposure, the child was still living when found and so far as can be determined now, he will continue to live.

Friday afternoon, according to information secured by police officers, some members of Mr. Cook's family saw a basket in a patch of woods near his home. Little was thought of it at the time, but when the basket was seen again this morning in the same position, an investigation was made. Cuddled in the bottom of the basket, with only a small amount of clothing and nothing to protect it from the weather, lay the babe, too cold to move and too near dead to make complaint even in baby language.

A hurried examination showed that the child was still alive, so it was carried to Mr. Cook's home and protected until the officers arrived. The fact that the basket was in the woods Friday proves without doubt that the child was there all night and was subjected to the heavy rains that fell shortly after dusk. Its clothing, cheap in texture and apparently handed down from some other babe, was soaking wet and the little body was as wet as if it had just been bathed.

The hiding place of the baby was about 100 yards from Keller Church. The spot is not a secluded one by any means, and would hardly have been selected as a day-long hiding place. For that reason it is believed by police officers that the child was deserted Thursday night and that it remained in the woods all of Thursday night, Friday and Friday night. It is also pointed out that persons placing the child in the woods in daylight would have been easily seen from the home of Mr. Cook and other persons living in the neighborhood. As no one was seen near the hiding place Friday, it is practically certain that the hapless parents deserted their child Thursday night.

As soon as the officers returned to Concord with the child they had it examined by a physician of the city, who expressed the opinion that the child was not over two days old and would live. In the opinion of the physician the baby was not fatally exposed and with proper care he expects it to rally and become a normal child. The fact that the little one is not more than two days old indicates that it probably was born Thursday morning and was carried that night to the woods to die or be picked up by some person with more pity than its parents.

After having the child examined and being told that it should be taken in charge by some woman, Assistant Chief of Police Widenhouse carried it to his home and left it with Mrs. Widenhouse. Dry clothing in abundance was furnished the infant, who showed signs of vigorous life after being warmed and fed, and who soon slept in peace on the lap of his adopted mother.

So far police officers are without clues that would assist in the hunt for the parents of the child, but everything possible will be done in an effort to locate the couple that deserted the babe.

PRESIDENT POLISHING
SPEECH FOR CONGRESS

Completed Main Part of Work on Document Friday and Is Fixing Details Now.

Washington, Nov. 24.—President Coolidge today began the final polishing of his forthcoming message to Congress which many observers believe has an important bearing on his future political fortunes. He completed the main part of his work on the document yesterday morning and all that remains to be done before it is sent to the printer is the checking of language of several sections. The message is expected to be ready today.

Little is known of the details of the message, but it is generally thought its principal sections will deal with taxation, agricultural relief, and transportation.

Many Cared For in Public Institutions. Washington, Nov. 24.—Nearly 349,000 persons in the United States—96,839 adults and 252,089 children—were being cared for by 4,347 public institutions or agencies as of February 1, according to a survey made public today by the Department of Commerce.

KANNAPOLIS
DEPARTMENT

Kannapolis, Nov. 22.—A call meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Association was held at the South School building Tuesday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock, the object of this meeting being to elect grade mothers, a most important phase of a Parent-Teachers' organization. The work of grade mothers is to visit the homes of the grades they represent, and secure co-operation and a better understanding between parents and teachers. The paid membership of the South School organization now numbers one hundred and ten. This figure and the good attendance at the meetings are a source of encouragement and gratification to those interested. Following is a list of the organization not including the cottages and the Peeler house. The vacancies noted below will be filled at a later date.

- Grade One—Miss Katie Lou Steele, Mrs. G. G. Allen, Mrs. H. A. Scott.
- Grade One—Miss Mary Duncan, Mrs. Chas. Seehler, Mrs. H. M. Shepherd.
- Grade One—Mrs. Earnhardt, Mrs. H. J. Wampler, Mrs. L. Willett, Mrs. L. M. Gillon.
- Grade Two—Miss Mellon, Mrs. G. A. Bryant, Mrs. Sides.
- Grade Two—Miss Stough, Mrs. Leonard Castor, Mrs. Peeler.
- Grade Two—Miss Mary Duncan, Mrs. Lale Mas. Oates.
- Grade Three—Miss Pearl Schaeffer, Mrs. H. A. Alfred, Mrs. Yarborough.
- Grade Three—Miss M. Johnson, Mrs. J. A. Moser, Mrs. M. J. Peeler.
- Grade Three—Miss Alberta Parks—Mrs. Sloan, Mrs. Bryant.
- Grade Five—Miss Askins, Mrs. M. L. Troutman, Mrs. John H. Rutledge.
- Grade Five—Miss Lewis, Mrs. H. L. Lipe, Mrs. C. A. Fisher.
- Grade Six—Miss Bailes, Mrs. J. W. Cline, Mrs. B. W. Durham.
- Grade Seven—Miss Graham, Mrs. McGuirt, Mrs. J. Funderburk.
- Grade Seven—Miss Candler, Mrs. W. C. Jamison, Mrs. J. R. McKnight.
- Grade Seven—Miss Wood, Mrs. J. E. Halstead.
- Grade Eight—Miss Peeler.
- Grade Nine—Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Parks.
- Grade Ten—Miss Lorene Brown, Mrs. Rodgers.
- Grade Eleven—Miss Mary E. Carnes, Mrs. Graeber, Mrs. C. A. Turner.
- Mrs. Graham, welfare worker.

Tuesday afternoon, while the lot was being cleaned off and the trash being burned, the seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Base received injuries from burns which resulted fatally, death coming at 4 o'clock Wednesday morning in the Concord Hospital. The child's clothing was set on fire by getting in close contact with the burning rubbish. Interment took place this afternoon in the cemetery here.

Mrs. Charles Davall will entertain the Social Hour Club Tuesday at her home in Concord.

Miss Robbins, of Charlotte, who is attending school at Wincoff, spent the week-end with her sister, Miss Elizabeth Robbins.

Miss Bennett, of the Trotter staff of workers, gave a soul-stirring address Sunday afternoon at the Baptist Church to the ladies of the town. Mrs. R. T. Frye was in charge of the music. Both the address and the music was much enjoyed. During the same hour Mr. Trotter spoke very interestingly at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium filled with men. The afternoon meetings will close tomorrow. These meetings which have been growing in interest, are much enjoyed. Mr. Trotter has been lecturing from Romans, and those who have been hearing Mr. Trotter have been much edified. Miss Bennett continues to teach the various grades at different hours. The High School meets with her this week at the A. R. P. Church. She meets with the children at the North School this week, having met the past week with the South School. The evening services, also continue with unabated interest. The singing in charge of Mr. Hammoutree, with Mr. Hermansen as pianist, is much enjoyed, and adds much to the services.

Mrs. E. P. Carter, who was recently taken violently ill at a Rutherfordton hotel, is slightly improved.

Out of 480 or 485 votes cast here on the county-wide school tax, only about one-tenth were opposed to the tax.

The chicken supper given Saturday night by the Methodists in the basement of the church was quite a success. The culinary skill of the ladies who prepared the supper was exhibited in a high degree, the supper being so much enjoyed that about half a hundred had to be turned away. Nearly \$70 was realized.

Friday night at the Wincoff school house the Missionary Society of Mt. Olivet Church will have an apron social and measuring party. Noodles will be served free.

9000 INVITATIONS ISSUED
FOR WEDDING OF NEGRESS

Bride's Grandmother Started Life as Laundress and Died Leaving a Million. Special to Philadelphia Record.

New York, Nov. 22.—Nine thousand invitations are out for the marriage Saturday of Miss Mae Walker Robinson, granddaughter of the late Madame C. J. Walker. Madame Walker was a negress who started life as a laundress and died leaving a fortune of \$1,000,000, accumulated through the sale of a hair preparation to negroes.

Miss Robinson marries Dr. Henry Gordon Jackson, of Chicago, at St. Philip's Episcopal Church. An announcement from the family gives a bit of advance information concerning the ceremony, which promises to be one of the most gorgeous weddings celebrated in New York in years.

Invitations have been sent to 9000, of whom 100 are the personal friends of Madame A. Della Walker, the bride's mother, "in every State in the Union, British Guiana, British West Indies, Canada, England, France, Haiti, Liberia, Nigeria, Panama and the Philippines."

CONCORD HIGHS FOOTBALL
CHAMPIONS OF THE COUNTY

Won Title by Winning From Mt. Pleasant Captains Here Friday Afternoon by 7 to 6 Score.

The Concord High School football team is champion of Cabarrus County for the 1923 season. The championship was clinched by the local high school team on Friday afternoon when the team from Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute was defeated 7 to 6.

The game was the third for the local team in ten days and all of them have been placed on the win column. Albemarle was defeated last Tuesday 34 to 6; last Friday Mooreville was defeated 9 to 0 and the ten days period was brought to a close with the well earned victory Friday.

The score is a fair indication of the strength of the two teams Friday. There was little to choose between them, but the locals had that little and as a result they are champions of the county.

Outweighed greatly, the locals overcame this advantage by a better system of play and a better coached machine. The captains presented one of the heaviest teams ever in Concord, with one man weighing about 300 pounds and with several other men weighing close to 200 pounds.

But during the game this weight could not be used to the best advantage. Before Beaver, the 300-pound back, who has played such fine ball this season, could get started some Concord players would throw him. If the cadet heavyweight could have gotten up momentum he would have been practically irresistible, but he was always stopped too soon.

Smith and MacLaughlin brothers played good ball. Smith, the ace of the cadet eleven, was forced from the game following a savage tackle by Sullivan. He was not badly hurt, however, and soon recovered.

The game was cleanly played and was featured by the Concord passes. Twice Concord threatened to score by this method, but the Concord defense was recorded following several pretty passes.

Concord attack. Sullivan has played stellar ball in each game of the season, but he was never better than on Friday and he surely is one of the best backs in the State today.

Ridenhour, regular quarterback of the Concord team who was hurt in the Charlotte game early in the season, got in the game for a short time Friday. He completed a 30-yard pass for one of the features of the game.

The Concord team plays Gastonia here Tuesday and the game should be one of the most interesting of the year. The locals are out to get revenge for the defeat they suffered recently in Gastonia.

The lineup was as follows:
Concord Position M. P. C. I.
Krieger LE. Stroup
Hoover (c) LT. Shaw
Benfield I.G. Beaver
C Watson
Brown RG. Littles
McLannis RE. Thomas
Kirk RT. Amick
Smart RE. Amick
Sullivan QB. C. McLaughlin(c)
Littaker LHB. Buccannon
Simpson RHB. A. McLaughlin
Cleaver FB. Smith
Referee, Meehan, Umpire, Hendrick. Quarters 12:30.

"HI-Y" CLUB.

Gold and Black. The "Hi-Y" Club was reorganized October 27 at the Y. M. C. A. The "Hi-Y" Club is sponsored by the local organization of the Y. M. C. A. and plays a large and influential part in the club activities of Concord High School.

Joe McCaskill organized the first club two years ago, and through his untiring efforts last year the "Come Clean Campaign" and the "Win My Chum Campaign" were accomplished in fine style.

Walter Sullivan, president of the Junior Class, quarterback of the football team, and president of the Monogram Club, was made president of the club. "Bub" is capable of maintaining and adding to the dignity of this important office. Other officers elected were: Clarence Ridenhour, vice-president; Waller Brown, secretary; Fred Helms, treasurer.

The "Hi-Y" Club meets every Tuesday night. It is hoped that every boy in high school will support this worthwhile organization, and in lending his support increase the influence of the club.

GERMAN SURGEON CLAIMS
SYSTEM LENGTHENS LIFE

Announces Blood Transfusion Method to Rejuvenate Both Sexes. London, Nov. 24.—Discovery of a method of blood-transfusion which not only rejuvenates aged patients submitting themselves to it, but prolongs life, is claimed by Dr. Frederick Heyman, a German consulting surgeon.

The method adopted, Dr. Heyman told an interviewer, revitalizes the blood of the patient and can be practiced on both sexes. In cases where a direct transfusion is not desired, a serum may be injected.

With Our Advertisers. Suits and Overcoats at Browns-Cannon Co.'s, \$25.00 to \$50.00. Wool hose, 75 cents up. Handkerchiefs, all kinds, style and colors, at the Specialty Hat Shop. They are having a wonderful sale of coats and dresses at Parks-Balk Co. The prices run from \$5.98 to \$29.95. Read the new ad. on page two.

Mr. D. L. Mauney, of Jackson Springs, spent the week-end in the city with relatives and friends.



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