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## TWENTY-FIVE ARE KILLED IN A STORM

### Which Sweeps Over State of Alabama.

## FATALITIES AT IRONDALE

In Birmingham and Vicinity the Destruction of Property and Loss of Life Was Greatest, Though Neighboring Towns Were Visited and Suffered Severely.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 25.—A terrific wind and rainstorm passed over Birmingham and vicinity about 10 o'clock this morning, doing much damage, the extent of which is not yet known owing to the demoralized condition of telegraph and telephone wires. A large number of houses are reported to have been blown down in the southwestern section of the city, and one report says that 1,000 persons have been hurt. The entire police force, fire department and all the ambulances in the city, together with scores of surgeons, have been summoned to the scene.

The same storm swept over Irondale, 7 miles east of here, and it practically destroyed the business part of the town. Seven men are reported killed there and many injured. Pratt City also suffered, the public school building being unroofed and the First Methodist church having its steeple blown off. Many negro cabins were wrecked and a number of people hurt. North Birmingham and other suburbs also suffered. The wind blew a fearful gale and rain fell in enormous sheets and is still falling. It is feared that when all reports come in the damage will be shown to have been very heavy.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 25.—The cyclone which swept over Jones' valley, in which Birmingham is located, between 9 and 10 o'clock this morning, resulted in immense damage to property and great loss of life.

The number of dead is not definitely known, but at 12:30 o'clock it was estimated at 25. Of these at least seven were killed at Irondale, about 15 in the city of Birmingham, and the others in suburban towns.

Among the known dead are the following: Dr. G. O. Chapman, a prominent physician of this city, killed by falling debris in Mentor's store, on South Twentieth street.

Mrs. Robert J. Lowe, wife of the chairman of the state Democratic committee, and her infant son, killed at their residence on South Highlands.

J. Alexander, merchant, killed in his store at Avenue J and Twenty-fourth street.

W. P. Dickerson, a bookkeeper, killed in Mentor's store on South Twentieth street.

Three-year-old daughter of B. B. Hudson, merchant.

The following negroes were killed: Lizzie Glenn, Carrie Henry, Lizzie Goodloe, Carrie Hudson, Maggie Blevins, J. M. Yero, Fannie Steadmir.

Negro cook for B. B. Hudson, all killed outright.

Among the fatally injured are: Mrs. R. H. Thomas and Mrs. W. H. Thomas, wife and mother of a prominent real estate agent.

The storm did its worst damage in the neighborhood of Avenues I and J from Tenth to Thirteenth streets, wrecking scores of buildings and creating terrible havoc.

The entire fire and police departments turned out to render aid, and at this hour are still engaged in taking the dead and injured from the debris and sending them to undertaking shops and hospitals.

At Pratt City many buildings were destroyed, and a number of people were more or less injured.

## SEVEN MINERS ARE KILLED

### Terrific Explosion Near Connellsville, Caused by Gas.

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., March 25.—A special train composed of a box car and a freight engine brought into Connellsville today the most frightful host of groaning, blackened and unrecognizable men ever hauled into this town.

These were the victims of a terrible mine explosion at the Gates mine of the Europa Coal company in the new Kiondike cove field in this (Fayette) county. The mine has been worked only a few days and the cause of the explosion was probably accumulated gas.

Twenty-eight men went into the pit to work this morning. As soon after the explosion as possible a posse of men were put to work to rescue them.

One by one the men were found and 16 were terribly burned. Seven died soon after they were reached by the rescuers.

Vandals Dynamite Mine Springs. BERKELEY SPRINGS, W. Va., March 25.—The fine medicinal springs, set aside over a century ago for the use of the public by Lord Fairfax, were dynamited by unknown persons early Sunday morning. The controversy over the leasing of the springs to outsiders has caused ill feeling and the work of the vandals is attributed to this.

May Reject Carnegie Gift. NEW YORK, March 25.—A special from Newcastle, Pa., says: Owing to the attitudes of labor unions, the city council will in all probability reject the \$50,000 offer of Andrew Carnegie for a public library for this place.

## TARHEEL STATE TRAGEDY

### Desperate Moonshiner Beaten to Death With Shotgun.

RUTHERFORDTON, N. C., March 22.—Tom Jones, 40 years old, one of the most desperate white criminals and blockade moonshiners in Polk county, was beaten to death with a doublebarreled shotgun near Mills Springs by twin brothers, Ed and Oscar Wilkerson. The three men were hidden on the road waiting for three negroes to return from a still where they had plotted for a shooting match as they waited. While waiting a quarrel ensued as to which one would have the first shot at the negroes, when the two brothers sprang upon Jones and with the gun beat his head into mush. His brains were found lying on the ground near the body. One of the murderers escaped, the other is in jail. Jones was not seriously shot in three shooting affairs. He had just returned from Albany (N. Y.) penitentiary, where he served 18 months for moonshining. Both Wilkerson boys have served a term in the state penitentiary for murder.

## GOLD BRICK SHARKS CAGED

### Three Confidence Workers Behind Carolina Bars.

GREENSBORO, N. C., March 23.—Frank Thompson, A. Daley and H. D. Hawley were arrested here while attempting to work a gold brick scheme on Paul Garrett of Weldon. Garrett came here to meet the men by appointment and notified the officers of the presence of the confidence men. When Garrett and Thompson left town, they were followed by officers to a place in the woods where Daley had two gold bricks concealed. The two men were arrested and placed in jail. Hawley, their accomplice, was arrested later in a hotel.

In addition to the gold bricks, the men had in their possession \$500 in cash and an assayer's outfit. They will be given a preliminary hearing tomorrow.

## Negro Jailed For Killing Dog.

CHARLESTON, March 23.—Martin Grimbail, a negro, was convicted for malicious mischief in the judicial court, the charge against him being that he had killed a pet dog belonging to Judge Reed. Under a recent decision of the supreme court a dog is rated as property, and as such the owner can seek the aid of the law in his protection. Judge Reed owned a fine terrier and he claimed that Grimbail kicked it to death. Grimbail's defense was that the dog had fits, but he was convicted and fined. Owners of fine dogs are rejoicing over the decision.

## Resisted Officer and Was Shot.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 26.—Luther Jones was convicted of arson in Orangeburg county in 1893 and sentenced for life. He escaped in 1897 and was recently located in Anderson county, near House Path. A constable and a guard from the penitentiary found Jones in the woods cutting wood. He defied them with his ax. They shot him in the side and leg. Jones ran 3 miles before being caught. The doctors say he will die.

## Will Examine Text-Books.

RALEIGH, March 26.—Governor Aycock has appointed as a sub-commissioner to examine the school text-books and report to the text-book commission J. Y. Joyner of Greensboro, J. D. Hodges of Augusta, John C. Scarborough of Murfreesboro, C. C. Wright of Straw, J. A. Butler of Statesville, C. G. Vardell of Red Springs, W. L. Carmichael of Breward, J. L. Kestler of Raleigh, and R. L. Flowers of Durham.

## Anthony Won the Loving Cup.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., March 23.—The interstate clay pigeon tournament, which has continued for three days here under the auspices of the Battery Park hotel, has closed. The silver loving cup, holding a half gallon, which was offered for the highest average made during the three days, was won by Colonel T. J. Anthony of Charlotte, N. C.

## Dies in Physician's Office.

RALEIGH, March 26.—Colonel W. H. Cheek died suddenly in the office of his physician at Henderson. During the civil war he commanded the First North Carolina Cavalry. He acted as brigadier general during the latter part of the war, and it was intended to commission him a brigadier.

## No Damage Thus Far.

RALEIGH, March 25.—Reports show not the least damage to fruit in the state thus far. In the principal fruit region the weather has been cold. In the mountains the peaks were snow-covered the early part of this week. In the extreme southwest there are some blooms.

## Bridegroom Takes His Life.

TALBOTTON, Ga., March 26.—Robert Davis, a prominent young farmer living near Prattsburg, in this county, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head with a pistol. He had just been married the day before. No cause for his rash act is given.

## Prominent Lumberman Dead.

RALEIGH, March 25.—John W. Branning, the greatest lumberman in this state, is dead. He owned half a score of mills, all large, and thousands of acres of timber, a railway with 40 miles of branches, besides being interested in other enterprises.

## Tug Goes Down.

PUNTA GORDA, Fla., March 26.—The barge Three Brothers, with a cargo of 625 tons of coal, loaded at Mobile for Punta Gorda, and towed by the tug Dewey, sank 60 miles northwest of Muller key. There were no lives lost.

## Trust Company Organized.

GAFFNEY, S. C., March 23.—The Southern States Trust company has been organized in this city, chartered by a special act of the legislature, with a capital stock of \$250,000, with the privilege to increase it to \$1,000,000.

## Almost a Century Old.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 26.—Miss Kate Bethune, 99 years old, of Bethune, Kershaw county.

## BAD WRECK ON THE PLANT SYSTEM

### One Man Killed and Four Injured.

## THE LIST OF CASUALTIES

The Accident Occurred About Two Miles South of Montgomery and Was Due to a Misunderstanding of Orders.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., March 23.—In a wreck which occurred on the Plant system this morning, at 8:30 o'clock, between two passenger trains, one was killed and four injured. Following is a list of the dead and injured: Doc Huggley, fireman, dead. Flagman, Woodham, hand mashed. Engineer Jewell, head bruised. Conductor Seidell, face bruised. Postal Clerk Huggins, hand mashed. The wreck occurred about 2 miles below Montgomery, and was due to a misunderstanding of orders.

## TWO TRAINS GO TOGETHER

### One Man Killed in a Collision on the Louisville and Nashville.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., March 23.—Engineer Tobe Greene of Montgomery and his negro fireman were both killed and 30 cars were wrecked in a head-end collision of freight trains, half mile north of Wilcox, on the Montgomery and Mobile division of the Louisville and Nashville road this morning. Both engines were badly damaged and several cars were smashed to splinters.

## THE PRESIDENT APPOINTS

### Many to State, Army and Navy Positions—Georgian Gets Plum.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—The following presidential appointments were announced today:

Consul—George E. Baldwin of Ohio, to be consul at Nuremberg, Bavaria; Henry B. Miller of Oregon, to be consul of the United States at Nuchwang, China; Marion Erwin, to be attorney of the United States southern district of Georgia; Henry L. Hertz, to be collector of internal revenue for the First district of Illinois.

War—Thirtieth regiment of infantry, United States volunteers, Frederick J. Barrows, to be captain; Thirty-eighth regiment of infantry, United States volunteers, John E. Morris, to be captain. Navy—To be captain, Samuel W. Verry; to be commanders, Dennis H. Mahon, Warner B. Bayley, James H. Perry; to be lieutenant commander, Albert N. Wood.

## Rodenburg Appointed on Commission.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—The president has appointed ex-representative W. A. Rodenburg of Illinois a member of the civil service commission to succeed the late Mark S. Brewer, and F. I. Allen of Auburn, N. Y., a commissioner of patents to succeed Commissioner Duell, resigned. The selection of Mr. Rodenburg removes one of the factors which has delayed the appointment of the St. Louis exposition commissioners. Mr. Rodenburg's friends pressed him persistently for one of these places. It is generally believed that Mr. Rodenburg's candidacy clashed directly with that of Professor Northrup of Minnesota. The announcement of the commission is now expected within a few days.

## A WARRANT FOR \$100,000

### Uncle Sam Makes Further Payment on the Philippine Purchase.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Secretary Hay today gave to the Spanish minister, Duke D'Arcos, a treasury warrant for \$100,000, payment for the island of Gagayan and other islands near the Philippine group.

The payment was made in accordance with the terms of the treaty negotiated last November. There are also protocols signed exchanging final ratifications, which confirm the title of the United States to these islands.

## Niles Bank Defalcation \$195,000.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Mr. Dawes, the controller of the currency, received a report from the receiver in charge on the condition of the failed First National bank of Niles, Mich. The report will not be made public at present, but it is stated the indications are that the defalcation of the cashier will amount to about \$195,000.

## REBEL LEADER GIVES UP

### MacArthur Says Insurrection in Panay Has Ended.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—General MacArthur at Manila, under date of March 22, cables the war department as follows: "Hughes reports surrender of Fullon and command, Antique, province of Panay, 180 rifles. This ends insurrection Panay."

## Columbus Reporters Strike.

COLUMBUS, O., March 25.—The entire local staff employed on the Press-Post went out on strike this morning. The proprietor had been given until 9 o'clock this morning to sign the scale of the newly formed News-writers' association, but failed to do so. It is understood that the management is making an effort to settle the dispute.

## Kentucky Bank Robbed of \$10,000.

MEMPHIS, March 25.—A special from Fulton, Ky., says the bank of Columbus, at Columbus, Ky., was burglarized early this morning and robbed of \$7,000 to \$10,000. The robbers escaped, but four men suspected of the crime have been arrested at Union City, Tenn.

## Two Killed by Gasoline Explosion.

JANESVILLE, Wis., March 25.—James Horne and Daniel Pellar were killed today by an explosion of a gasoline engine at Janesville Barbed Wire works.

## ALBANY LOST ON COTTON

### Over 8,000 Bales of Past Season's Crop Still in Her Warehouses.

ALBANY, Ga., March 23.—Stored in the warehouses of Albany there are now more than 8,000 bales of cotton, the unsold remnant of the crop of 1900-1901, the ownership of which is about equally divided between farmers and parties who bought for speculation earlier in the season.

The money loss represented by these 8,000 bales would more than pay off the bonded indebtedness of the city of Albany. At prevailing market prices the cotton is worth something like \$330,000. It has been held over from the early part of the season, and the falling off of the market quotations from time to time to the extent of about 2 1/2 cents per pound foot up the impressive total of \$100,000. Insurance and storage charges make a further item that is by no means inconsiderable.

Several parties who have bought and are holding cotton in the hope of a rise in the market are out to the tune of something like \$10,000 each. This is actual loss, for the cotton was bought when the staple was worth more than 10 cents. Many farmers have pocketed heavy losses, for holdings of several hundred bales are not uncommon among our planters. A good deal of cotton is still being held on the farms by planters who are awaiting better prices and are unwilling to pay money storage charges for an indefinite period.

## FEAR BLOODSHED IN COFFEE

### Trouble Brewing Between Big Pine Company and Its Neighbors.

WAYCROSS, Ga., March 25.—The Southern Pine company and residents of Coffee county are at war over the ownership of timber lands around Nicholls, and the feeling has reached the danger mark. During the past month no less than 35 saws have been ruined in the big mill, seven of them being destroyed Saturday. One man employed by the company has been notified that he must leave at once or suffer the consequences. He says that he expects to be assassinated at any time, but does not propose to be frightened off.

Fear in that part of the county are so intensely bitter against the Southern Pine company that bloodshed is feared by the more law abiding element. It seems that the company is having timber cut on lands claimed by others, and in order to get even today have been bored in the trees and railroad spikes, plow points, iron pipes, etc., have been driven in, then the holes being plugged up with wood. When the saw strikes these pieces of iron it is ruined.

There is great danger of employes of the mill being fatally injured by the bursting of the saws, and unless the trouble is settled soon it is liable to reach dangerous proportions.

## TO SERVE IN PHILIPPINES

### Government Orders Companies L and K to the Far East.

ATLANTA, March 25.—Orders were received at Fort McPherson yesterday from the war department directing companies L and K of the Eleventh infantry to leave on their long journey for the Philippines today.

It has been known for some days at the post that the two companies were under orders for foreign service, but it was not known definitely until yesterday, when the orders were received from Washington, just when they would leave.

In the two companies there are approximately 240 men, including the commissioned officers. The troops will be taken as far as San Francisco in a special train—the men in tourist sleepers and the officers in a Pullman.

With their departure Fort McPherson will be left in charge of Companies E and F of the Twenty-sixth infantry.

## Pope Gets Damages.

MACON, March 23.—A verdict for plaintiff for \$875 damages was rendered in the city court in the case of Pope against the Manchester Manufacturing company. Plaintiff sued for \$5,000 for the mashing of his hand in the gearing of the machinery of the mill. The hearing of the case has consumed several days. Thomas S. Felder represented the plaintiff. Harris, Dessau & Harris represented the defendant company.

## Accidentally Shot Himself.

WASHINGTON, Ga., March 25.—While Hon. F. H. Colley, Archie Colley and Judge Henry B. Tompkins of Atlanta were snipe hunting yesterday afternoon in order to get even today have been discharged, burying a dozen or more shot in Hon. F. H. Colley's hand and side. One entered his eye, but his physician thinks it will not necessarily destroy the sight.

## Dublin Mill Nearly Completed.

DUBLIN, Ga., March 23.—The Dublin Cotton factory is nearly ready for work. Thirty cottages have been built on the factory property, and as soon as the machinery is put in position the wheels will begin to turn. The capital stock of the cotton mill was lately increased to \$125,000, and nearly every dollar of the stock is owned by citizens of this place.

## Little Girl Fractures Skull.

COLUMBUS, Ga., March 23.—Lottie Boyd, 14-year-old daughter of J. W. Boyd, while playing with some children in front of his house slipped and fell. Her forehead struck the brick curbing, fracturing the skull. Dr. John Evans Walker performed a trepanning operation. Just how the accident will result cannot yet be told.

## Three In One Grave.

COLUMBUS, Ga., March 23.—The three infants of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Easterwood of Phenix City were buried in the same grave. Mrs. Easterwood gave birth to triplets, one of which never breathed after its birth. The second infant lived only four hours, and the last of the three died in 24 hours after its birth.

## Policeman Kills Negro.

ATLANTA, March 25.—Patrolman Fleming shot and killed Richard Scott, a negro, while the latter was advancing on the officer in a threatening manner, with an open knife. The verdict of the coroner's jury was justifiable homicide.

## BAD STORM VISITS FLORIDA

### Much Damage Done About the City of Pensacola.

PENSACOLA, Fla., March 23.—Considerable damage was done to shipping by a severe southeast cyclone storm this morning from 3 to 4 o'clock. The wind velocity ranged from 48 to 54 miles an hour, with puffs of a minute duration reaching 70 miles. All three of the masts of the Russian bark Lillo were snapped off. The Russian ship Loch lost her bowsprit in collision with the Lillo.

The schooner Irene was beached and several lighters of lumber sunk; tons of timber went adrift and there is a mass of wreckage of small boats along the water front, while all the large export steamers at the Louisville and Nashville railroad wharves are so badly tangled together that it is impossible to tell how seriously they are damaged.

## KILLED BY HIS BROTHER

### Two Lads Play With Pistol and One Gets Fatal Wound.

WARRENTON, Ga., March 23.—Curry and Leon Jones, two brothers, aged 14 and 13, respectively, while handling an unloaded pistol, as they supposed, discharged it in some way, killing the younger. The ball passed through the body just over the heart, death resulting almost immediately.

The accident occurred at their home. The older brother is prostrate with grief, calling repeatedly for his little brother. Just how the weapon was discharged Leon is unable to explain, except that Curry attempted to take it out of his hands and in resisting the weapon discharged the only ball in the cylinder.

## LIGHTNING'S FATAL WORK

### Bolt Strikes Negro Schoolhouse and Kills Two Girls.

KINGSTON, Ga., March 23.—At 1 o'clock a bolt of lightning struck the negro schoolhouse, followed the stovepipe downward and killed two girls, Jennie Bell Elliott and Jennie Goodwin, aged 10 and 13 years, who were sitting near the stove. The Elliott girl was killed instantly, while the other one was able to talk for a few minutes. She told her schoolmates goodbye. Several others were shocked.

Another bolt struck a vacant house belonging to O. R. C. Ware of Atlanta, demolishing one end.

## Kidnaping Story a Fake.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 26.—Arthur McGee has acknowledged that the elaborate story he told of being kidnaped by Sells Bros.' circus and taken from his home near Anderson last October was a pure invention. On Oct. 22 last he disappeared, his buggy being found in the road near his home. As he had sold cotton it was feared he had been murdered. McGee returned home a couple of days ago, coming from Atlanta. He said circus men had kidnaped him, forcing him to cook till he jumped off the train a month ago, got work at a sawmill in Georgia and earned money with which to pay his passage home. McGee now confesses that he ran away because he had lost by speculating with money left him in trust.

## Captured Large Still.

OPELIKA, Ala., March 23.—The largest still ever operated in this county has just been captured, near Beulah, by Deputy Marshals Booth and Gay. Eugene Williams, a white man, was found in charge and brought in and bound over. The still was a first-class 100-gallon one, with one condenser and ten fermenters. They were destroyed and nearly 2,000 gallons of beer and whisky were poured upon the ground. This makes the third still destroyed in this county recently.

## Granted Letters Patent.

TALLAHASSEE, March 23.—Letters patent have been granted incorporating the Florida Telegraph and Telephone association, with headquarters at Inverness. The capital stock is \$5,000, which may be increased to \$250,000. The association will construct, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines, offices, exchanges and instruments, connecting with other telegraph and telephone lines, and deal in real and personal property.

## Florida Insurance Pays.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 23.—Hon. J. B. Whitfield, state treasurer at Tallahassee, has compiled a table, which shows that 54 fire insurance companies were authorized to do business in Florida during the year 1900. The total losses of these companies for the year were \$438,228.24 and the receipts for the same period were \$308,703.51, leaving the profit of the companies for the year \$370,475.07.

## Charged With Counterfeiting.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., March 26.—Wm. and Randolph Diggers, who, it is alleged, have been passing counterfeit half-dollars at Carrabelle, were arrested by Deputy United States Marshal J. M. Foss and brought to Tallahassee. They were arraigned before United States Commissioner W. C. Hodges, who held them in default of bond for \$250 each.

## Investigating Convict Camps.

SPARTANBURG, S. C., March 26.—The directors of the South Carolina penitentiary have commenced an investigation of the convict camps of Anderson county. Anderson county has nine camps where penitentiary convicts leased from the state are worked.

## Died After Operation.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 25.—Walter Williams, bookkeeper at the local office of the Western Union Telegraph company and nephew of Manager Williams therein, died after an operation had been performed for an acute attack of appendicitis.

## Gave Green Fatal Wound.

SAVANNAH, March 26.—Sam Green was shot by Sam Savage at E. J. Thomas' place near Bonaventure and will probably die. The ball passed above the heart. The difficulty was about a woman. Both are negroes.

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