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### BIG FIRE AT GREENVILLE

Seventy-five Thousand Dollar Fire In That City Early This Morning

### MUNFORD BURNED OUT

Store and Stock of C. T. Munford Completely Destroyed—Fire Confined to Narrow Limits But Adjacent Buildings were Injured And Stocks of Goods Damaged By Water—Munford Employees Had Left the Store Only a Short Time Before the Fire Was Discovered—Gornto Shoe Company and Wooten Drug Company Damaged.

(Special to The Times.)

Greenville, N. C., March 28.—Fire, originating between twelve and one o'clock this morning completely destroyed the large store buildings of C. T. Munford and did considerable damage to adjacent buildings, causing an aggregate loss of about seventy-five thousand dollars. The amount of insurance has not yet been learned but is probably two-thirds of the loss.

The employees of the Munford store had just completed decorating it for a millinery opening today and left the building about half an hour before the fire occurred. The J. A. Brady building, adjoining Munford's on the north, was badly damaged, as was also the building on the rear of this and the buildings of the John L. Wooten Drug Company on the south.

The first floor of the Brady building was occupied by Gornto Shoe Company and a cafe, both of which suffered much loss from flooding. The offices of the Farmers Consolidated Tobacco Company, on the second floor is almost a complete wreck. Plate glass fronts across the street from the fire were shattered. The fire department had a hard fight to have the adjoining buildings.

### SUICIDE BURNS \$2,000.

Did Not Wish Wife to Benefit by His Death.

Richmond, Mich., March 28.—Because of worry over the supposed loss of \$30, which he had given a lawyer as a retaining fee in a divorce case, Albert Fetting, a farmer, drew his savings—\$2,000—from the bank, burned it, and then committed suicide by shooting himself.

The lawyer he had detained was taken ill, sent to Detroit, and died in a hospital, and Fetting, not wishing his wife to benefit by his own death, burned the cash.

### Roanoke Decision Stands.

Richmond, March 28.—The Virginia supreme court, in a decision, sustained the Roanoke corporation court, which removed Mayor J. K. Cutchin for "misfeasance, malfeasance and gross neglect of official duty," in failing to suppress gambling and other disorderly houses in Roanoke.

### HENRY SORRELL NOW FACES LIQUOR CHARGE

That Henry Sorrell had bought a cafe outfit, secured liquor for L. J. Harrelson and Dave Hinton, the latter colored, to sell and that he expected to reap the monetary rewards of their violation of the prohibition law was the statement made in superior court when these boys pleaded guilty to selling liquor. Sorrell, through his attorney, W. B. Snow, moved for a continuance, when the solicitor this afternoon stated the facts as told him. Harrelson and Hinton were in jail awaiting sentence and the court did not know what to do with them if the case against Sorrell was continued. All three cases were continued however, until next term and all three were required to put up bonds in the sum of \$300 each—Harrelson and Hinton pending sentence and Sorrell pending trial. Judge Webb said it too often happened that men with means made scapegoats of other parties, and he thought the road was the best place for such individuals.

### NO CAPTURES IN ALLEN HUNT

Outlaws Still in the Mountains, or Out and Gone

Hillsville, Va., March 28.—Detectives following the trail of the Allen gang, felt confident this morning the outlaws will be captured today. Fifty-four men, traveling on foot through the thickets or over the rough trails, early this morning began closing in on the spot high in the Blue Ridge mountains in which Sida Allen and Friel Allen and Wesley Edwards have found their last hiding place. The search leaders thought they would either run down the outlaws or make certain they had escaped from this section. Across the North Carolina line at Mount Airy, Sheriff Haynes, has a posse of fifty men awaiting word to join the Virginia searchers.

Judge Staples held court a few minutes this morning to enter a special order adjourning until April 23rd, the special term of Carroll county court. At that time the dates of the trial of Victor Allen, Sida Edwards and Byrd Marloff, will be set. Judge Staples sits at Roanoke Saturday to hear argument on the motion for a change of venue in Floyd Allen's case. Floyd Allen's trial probably will be held in Roanoke April fifteenth.

### To Birmingham.

Greensboro, March 28.—Miss Virginia Cheek, a talented singer of Greensboro, has accepted a position as soloist in the First Methodist church of Birmingham, Ala., and her many friends here regret her leaving.

### NOL PROS ENTERED IN CASE OF KING

In superior court today Solicitor Norris did not press the case against Henry E. King, a white man, who was charged with selling liquor. King, it will be recalled, was the principal witness against a lot of alleged blind tigers and he soon found himself confronted with ten or more witnesses who charged that they had either bought liquor from him or had seen him sell the stuff to others.

The blind tiger cases will not be called before tomorrow when several defendants will be placed on the stand. Tom Morris, Dave Hinton, Rufe Pulley and others are expected to be tried. W. C. Poland was bound over to court, but he left \$500 with the officers and struck out for a more congenial section.

J. C. Green, a white man of Knightdale, was found not guilty yesterday of giving worthless checks. A nol pros was entered in the case against J. L. Roberts, charged with obstructing justice. These cases came up from Justice of the Peace Stallings' court at Zebulon.

### AN INNOCENT MAN WAS SHOT

Deputy Sheriff at Henderson Was too Quick on Trigger.

Henderson, March 28.—A distressing event occurred here last evening, in which a deputy sheriff named Kit Davis, shot and probably mortally wounded a young white man of good reputation named Walter Cawthorn, an employe of a bagging factory.

The circumstances are given as follows, in brief:

"A report reached that sheriff's office that a man answering the description of a hobo who shot and killed J. R. King, the trainman at Norlina, night before last, had been seen in the city and the deputy went in search of him. When he approached the court-house he saw a crowd of men standing near. He thought that the suspect had probably been arrested by other persons and went to the crowd. When he neared the men one of them darted away suddenly and the deputy promptly fired at him, the ball taking effect in his back and penetrated vital parts."

Sec. Knox in Santo Domingo. Santo Domingo, March 28.—Secretary Knox, who arrived aboard Cruiser Washington yesterday from Venezuela this morning made a motor trip to the Spanish forts. Afterwards he lunched at the American Legation.



MRS. HETTY GREEN.

Considered to be the wealthiest and most able woman financier in the world, has once more forsaken the bustle and bustle of the big metropolis and closed up her handsome brown stone mansion, near Fifth avenue. She has packed up the few belongings which she desires and removed to her cozy little four room flat in Hoboken, where she declares she enjoys life a great deal more with a few select friends, than with the many hundreds who are continually seeking her company in New York.

### WILL BROWN GIVEN 15-YEAR SENTENCE

After the trial in the case against Will Brown, a negro, had proceeded for some time, a verdict of second degree murder was agreed to and Brown was sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary. He was charged with the murder of Jack Freeman, another negro, the homicide occurring at a festival in Wake Forest township on the night of January 21. Messrs. Armistead Jones & Son represented the defendant and Mr. R. N. Shamus assisted Solicitor Norris in the prosecution.

### THE COAL CRISIS

Hope of Averting Strike Centered in Subcommittee—500,000 May Go Out.

Cleveland, March 28.—Hope of averting a widespread coal strike in the United States, beginning Monday, centered today in the subcommittee appointed by the bituminous operators and miners to agree, if possible on a compromise wage scale. Unless the compromise is effected 300,000 miners quit Sunday at midnight. The wage disputes involve the threatened strike of almost 500,000 miners and the shutting down of almost every unmined coal mine in the country.

### MINER DROPPED 75 FEET TO DEATH

Hon. M. L. Shipman, commissioner of labor and printing, returned today from Montgomery county, where yesterday he investigated a fatal accident at the Ewarra mine, near Candor. Jim Ward, a negro employe, was killed by dropping 75 feet through a shaft to the bottom of the pit. It seems that Ward was accustomed to waiting for the bucket to carry him to the surface at quitting time and on this particular occasion the bucket passed him just as the bell rang to stop work. Ward jumped, missed his hold, and dropped to his death. It was strictly against orders for employes to risk their lives in such a manner.

### Roosevelt Will Not Hold.

St. Louis, March 28.—Roosevelt denied reports that he intended he would hold the republican party if he fails of the nomination.

### THE MEXICAN SITUATION

Orozco's Success in Chihuahua, Is Alarming to the Federals and to Mexico City

### MADERO IS IN DANGER

Federal Government is Admittedly Weak in Southern Mexico and Zapata is Taking Advantage of the Rebels Success in the Northern Part of the Country to Increase His Own Hold—The Washington Government Much Interested in the Development—Believed That Cases Would Follow Madero's Overthrow.

Washington, March 28.—The situation relative to Mexico City, near the federal seat of government, Orozco's success there is likely to be followed by serious events throughout the republic, according to the state department reports from the Mexican capital. The federal forces' weakness in the north is recognized. Zapata is taking advantage of this. He is reported as remaining fighting in that section.

The federals, following their recent engagement in southern Chihuahua, declared Torreon in a demoralized condition. State department reports say that the rebels are following them closely.

The rebel's successes have shaken the confidence of some Washington officials in the easy triumph of Madero over his enemies. They are now recognizing the possibility to the overthrow of the Madero government and the grave question is beginning to assert itself as to the correct attitude of the United States in the turmoil and chaos which probably would follow the crushing of the presidential aspirations of three or four ambitious Mexican rebel leaders. It is confidently believed there will be no necessity for the invasion of Mexico or for the exercise of anything more than moral suasion such as has been potent in the case of other disturbed Latin-American republics.

### A. & M. FRESHMEN WILL HOLD BANQUET.

This afternoon at 6 o'clock, the freshmen class of the A. & M. College will give a banquet in which the matter of subscribing money to the new Y. M. C. A. will be discussed by several speakers from Raleigh and the college. The class is taking a great interest in this move and the spirit is high for the work. The building, when finished, will be one of the handsomest college Y. M. C. A. buildings in the south.

The building will be the home for all of the fraternities and associations. The colleges will endeavor to make it the home for the boys.

### ADVISORY BOARD OF GUARD HAS MEETING.

The advisory board of the North Carolina National Guard held a meeting today in the office of Governor Kitchin, Adjutant General Leister, F. A. Mason, quartermaster general; Gen. B. S. Rowley, brigade commander; Col. J. C. Gardner, first infantry; Col. H. C. Bragaw, second infantry, and Col. J. N. Craig, third infantry.

### MRS. ELLAS CARR HILL IN WASHINGTON CITY.

Mr. Ellas Carr, secretary to the board of agriculture, left this afternoon for Washington, D. C., in response to a message informing him of the critical illness of his mother. Mrs. Ellas Carr, who went there a few days ago to undergo treatment. She is with her son, Mr. W. K. Carr. Mrs. Carr is the widow of the late Gov. Ellas Carr, and has been in ill health for some time.

### MAJ. HALE AND GEN. CARR MAY ASK FOR SAME HONOR.

Maj. E. J. Hale of Fayetteville and Gen. Julian S. Carr of Durham are being urged by their friends as delegate-at-large to the Baltimore convention. Both are strong men and there will likely be an interesting contest should they both be in the race at the state convention June 9.



COUNTESS OF WARWICK.

The countess, a daughter for Europe of the Countess of Warwick, who sailed from New York, almost on the impulse of the moment, is a great deal of a mystery to her friends and associates in the suburbs of New York. The countess had practically completed arrangements for an extended tour of the United States in future in the case of visits for women, and the case of the countess, who was "called" and is inclined to regard "business" does not put any light on the subject.

### ANOTHER TEXTILE STRIKE POSSIBLE

New York, N. Y., March 28.—The possibility of a strike of thousands of the forty thousand cotton mill operatives, here confronting the New Bedford manufacturers association, might not today be considered the mill workers' demand for a ten per cent advance in wages.

### HAD TO FURNISH MONEY

Chico, N. C., March 28.—A small posse in the city, composed of several men, had to furnish money to the men who had been arrested for the murder of a woman. The men were taken to the jail and the money was given to them by the posse.

### COMMITTEE UPHOLDS SENATOR LORIMER

Washington, March 28.—The right of Senator Lorimer, of Illinois, to a seat in the United States senate was upheld by the special investigating committee, which decided the senate's vote sustaining Lorimer in the last congress on substantially the same charges barred any further proceedings against him. The vote was 5 to 4.

### Whole Family Burned to Death.

Wilkesbarre, March 28.—Evan Milick, his wife and three children were burned to death when their home at Askan was destroyed by fire. The entire family, asleep in their beds, were unable to escape.

### Coal Miners Will Quit.

New York, March 28.—The anthracite coal operators are making no move to prevent the suspension of work in the anthracite fields. They regard suspension at midnight March 31 as inevitable.

### BROTHERHOOD HAS BANQUET

Locomotive Engineers Observe 25th Anniversary of Division

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of Division 339, the second of locomotive engineers, was fittingly celebrated in Old Fellows hall last night with an affair by Don B. Lary, a banquet and musical entertainment. About 150 guests, including engineers and their families, were present. The program was most enjoyable and it proved one of the most enjoyable ever held. The Rev. John B. Robertson, chairman of the committee on arrangements, presided and made the invocation of the night.

The program was informal and only a few friends were present. After the banquet, the younger people enjoyed dancing. Mr. Lary then presented a history of the division and its influence for all its 25 years. Being one of the best speakers that ever pulled a throttle, he was capable of speaking to the friends. Mr. W. A. Faison, chief of the division, introduced Mr. Lary.

Speaking enthusiastically, the state association said the division was not only progressive but benevolent, and gave testimony of the men paying off mortgages for widows of engineers; of paying school children their full salaries; and of doing many other things to aid their fellows. The division is a temperance society, for it thrives on and suspends drink; it is progressive for it looks after the sick. It has seen the salary of (Continued on Page Seven.)

### ASQUITH URGES MINERS TO ACCEPT

London, March 28.—Premier Asquith issued an appeal to the miners to accept the minimum wage bill, which he said would obtain largely within a month. In a speech to the House of Commons, Asquith said he hoped peace and contentment were now in sight.

### AAVLAACHE KILLS TEN

Snow Buries Party of Austrians Skiing on Mountain. Vienna, March 28.—A ski party of 11 persons was overwhelmed by an avalanche near the summit of Mount Aavlaache near Vienna, and all but one in the party were killed. Two mountaineers coming down the mountain heard screams from beneath the snow. They dug hastily and discovered a woman with her clothes torn and exhausted. There appeared to be little hope for her. She gasped, "Avalanche! dig deeper," and died. They laid her on the snow and, after much work, recovered the body of the leader, Doctor (Continued on Page Seven.)

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### WANTED BOY TO GO FREE

Solicitor Thought It Too Hard On Murphy Atwater to Serve Four Months For Larceny

### DID NOT HAVE LAWYER

Little Colored Youth, Indicted With Another Lad, Sent Up for Stealing Brass While His Confederate Escaped—Five Jury and Lawyer Cases Won by Defendants Causes Suggestion That All Cases Be Continued—Interesting Incident in Court.

Solicitor Herbert E. Norris, in superior court today, suggested that the remaining cases on the docket with the exception of the two homicide cases be continued until the next term of court and asked that the four-months sentence of Murphy Atwater, a little negro boy, be stricken out. The request of the solicitor came as the result of five failures to convict yesterday and in each of these cases the defendant was represented by a lawyer. Murphy Atwater, who was indicted with another little negro for the larceny of some brass, did not have a lawyer to defend him and the jury found him guilty. Mr. Norris did not think it quite fair to Atwater to bear the burden of the larceny and so suggested that the youngster be released.

Solicitor Norris took exception to the verdict of the jury in the Jones case, tried last evening. Mr. Jones through his attorney had offered to plead guilty to simple assault, but the jury acquitted him. In another case, that of carrying a concealed weapon, the jury apparently believed the word of an ex-convict in preference to two witnesses whose character was not impeached. Mr. Norris said he was not criticizing the jury, but he thought it merely a waste of time and money to continue to try cases under these circumstances.

Judge Webb said he thought some of the cases were decided right by the jury and took occasion to say that sometimes men are bound over to court when there is not much against them. Referring to the negro with the pistol, Judge Webb said he was more in sympathy with the fellow, who had just completed a road sentence, than with the man who claimed he saw the pistol at a distance of 50 yards.

Solicitor Norris then renewed his suggestion that all cases except the two homicide cases be continued. "We will do our duty," said Judge Webb, "let the consequences be what they may." And with that the incident closed.

It was a bad day for the state yesterday. The solicitor has been accustomed to winning verdicts and when he lost five cases—most of which he thought were proved—he thought it time to make a suggestion, and he did not want to see a little negro boy who was without a lawyer be punished for a crime that two or more were concerned in. The sentence was not changed.

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