

Man Commits Suicide Today

GIVES NO REASON FOR DEED.

J. H. Osborne of Asheville Shoots Himself at 3 O'Clock This Morning—Emptied a 32 Shell Into His Left Breast.

Asheville, N. C., September 18.—Lying across the bed in a back room on the second floor of the Young Men's Christian Association building, with three bullet holes through his chest, J. H. Osborne was found dead about three-thirty this morning. The corpse was found by Dr. Buckner, who rooms just across the hall and who after hearing the shots called Mr. Guder immediately. Mr. Osborne came in late last night and in company with some one else, whose name could not be learned this morning, but who left before the shooting occurred.

Although he left no statement explaining his motives for the deed, it is thought that melancholia prompted him. Mr. Osborne, who has been employed for the last twenty-five years by T. S. Morrison, was at work yesterday, and his associates say that they noticed no change in his manner. He has occupied the rooms in which he took his life for the past five years and those who knew him there say that he was of a quiet, genial temperament.

Mr. Osborne is about forty-five years of age and is a single man, having never been married. His mother lives at Woolsey and he has one brother in Virginia, Dr. Osborne. The revolver with which he took his life, and which was a 32-calibre, was found by his side with four empty shells and the fifth cap showed that it had missed fire. Three of the shots took effect.

The body was still lying in the position in which it was found as this paper went to press, for despite the efforts of the policemen and others Dr. Morris, county coroner, could not be found to be notified of the deed. Whether he will hold an inquest or not is not known.

New Shoe Store.

The new shoe store of Summers, Hughey and Mills, which is about ready for business, is one of the nicest places in the city.

The room in which they have the store has recently been remodeled in all respects. The floor was lowered level with the sidewalk, glass fronts put in, steel ceiling placed on the overhead and the walls decorated up to the latest styles.

The fixtures are all of the latest design. The shelves are of the latest type, having a narrow counter attached to them. Only one combination show case and counter stands on the floor, the other space in center of the room being used for trying on shoes.

These gentlemen have secured a set of chairs built for the purpose, eight in all. These are arranged nicely for the convenience of customers.

Everything they have is the latest and most up to date, and it will pay the readers of the Mascot to watch for their big ad when they open up.

Evening of Song.

The choir of the Methodist church will render the following program Sunday evening at the court house:

- Hymn 59—Barnly.
- Prayer.
- Anthem "Christian the Morn."—Shelley.
- Solo, "The Valley of Shadows"—Barri—Mrs. J. S. Duke.
- Duet, "Guide me O Thou Great Jehovah."—Lansing—Mrs. Thompson and Mr. Salley.
- Male Quartette—Selected—Messrs. Sloan, Salley, White, Sloan.
- Sermon.
- Solo "Slon"—Rodney—Mrs. Dorman Thompson.
- Anthem, "Send out Thy Light."—Gounod—Choir.
- Solo, Selected—Mr. A. J. Salley.
- Hymn 540—Mason.
- Benediction.

Weather Forecasts.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 18.—For North Carolina fair tonight and Saturday.

Street Car Kills Woman

MAY HAVE BEEN SUICIDE.

Jumped From Clump of Bushes in Front of Street Car and was Mangled Beyond Recognition.

Spencer, N. C., Sept. 18.—Della Moore, colored, was run over and killed by a car of the Salisbury-Spencer Street Railway in Spencer late last night, her body being mangled beyond recognition. The car was leaving for Salisbury and was running at a high rate of speed when the woman jumped from a bunch of bushes and weeds and fell under the wheels and it appears to have been a case of suicide.

The motorman had no chance to stop the car until it had passed over the body, which derailed the rear trucks and caused a delay of travel. It is said the woman had been put off the car near the same spot early in the night and that she was either drunk or heavily doped.

An inquest was held this morning but no blame attaches to the employees of the street railway on account of the accident.

The woman had been cooking for a family in Spencer.

LOCAL ITEMS.

A. Karosus is having the interior of his store repainted and decorated.

Mr. T. J. Conger is in his office again after a short spell of sickness.

Lovers of watermelon are grieving about the season being over. They have the pleasure of eating pumpkin pie now.

A large number of people left here this morning on the excursion to Winston. It was run by Messrs. Will Evans and W. W. Summers.

Mr. Jas. Ramsey of the Statesville Show Case Company, says his firm will ship a car load of show cases to points in South Carolina this evening.

In the game of ball yesterday, the local colored team defeated Winston. The score was 15 to 5 in favor of local team. Another game is being played this afternoon.

Mr. W. W. Gaiter will have an exhibition at the Iredell Cafe this evening an 14 1/2 fish, of the "Red Snapper" variety. It will be frozen in a cake of ice, and is a beautiful sight.

Taft and Bryan Will Not Meet.

Cincinnati, O., Sept. 17.—Wm. H. Taft's porch campaign will be abandoned. The pilgrimage of the Republicans from the 40th Ohio district set for today has been called off. The refusal of the railroads to grant cheap rates is given as the cause. Senator Dixon, chairman of the speakers' bureau describes the nominees feelings by saying Taft is pulling at the bit and wants to go out to the people. He wants action and wants it at once. Two combinations, making possible the meeting between Taft and Bryan have been shattered by the published itinerary. It has been determined that Taft will not attend the Deep Waterways convention in Chicago and eliminates the Bryan and Taft meeting there.

Carrie Nation is here and says she will meet Taft today.

Senator Dick was a caller at Taft's hotel this morning.

Gem Closed.

The Gem has closed until next Thursday night, when Moore and Mully, the amateur favorites of the city will put on a play.

The title of the play is "The fellow that looks like me," and no doubt will be all O. K.

Specialties of dancing and singing and other stunts will be put on.

They will possibly play in some of the neighboring towns if the play is a success here.

Don't forget the date. Thursday night, Sept. 24.

Change in Sunday Service.

Beginning next Sunday the post-office department reports that no mails will be collected at any boxes excepting those at Polk Gray Drug store, N. Harrison's clothing store and on the corner of West Broad and Mulberry streets. The Sunday hours for the office will be from 11:30 to 12:30.

Flying Machine is Wrecked

ONE KILLED AND ONE INJURED.

Propeller Blade Drops Off Causing Machine to Turn Over in Air and Falling to the Ground.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 17.—After having drawn the attention of the world to his aeroplane flights at Fort Meyer, and having established new world records for heavier-than-air flying machines, Orville Wright today met with a tragical mishap while making a two man flight. The aeroplane was accompanied by Lieutenant Thomas E. Selfridge, of the signal corps of the army.

Lieutenant Selfridge was fatally injured and died at 8.10 o'clock tonight. Mr. Wright was seriously injured, but it is expected to recover.

While the machine was encircling the drill grounds a propeller blade snapped off and, hitting some other part of the intricate mechanism, caused it to overturn in the air and fall to the ground, enveloping the two occupants in the debris.

Soldiers and spectators ran across the field to where the aeroplane had fallen and assisted in lifting Mr. Wright and Lieutenant Selfridge from under the tangled mass of machinery, reeds, wires and shreds of muslin.

Mr. Wright was conscious and said, "Oh, hurry and lift the motor."

Lieutenant Selfridge was unconscious and had apparently struck the ground with great force. His head was covered with blood and he was choking when the soldiers extricated him from under the machine.

Dr. Watters, a New York physician, was one of the first to reach the spot and rendered first aid to the injured men. When their wounds had been bandaged Mr. Wright and Lieutenant Selfridge were taken to the Fort Meyer hospital at the other end of the field. It was feared that Mr. Wright was suffering internal injuries. He had lapsed into a state of semiconsciousness by the time he reached the hospital, while Lieutenant Selfridge did not regain consciousness at all. He was suffering from a fracture at the base of the skull and was in a critical condition.

After a hurried surgical examination, it was announced that Mr. Wright was not dangerously injured. He is suffering from a fracture of his left thigh and several ribs on the right side are fractured. Both men received deep cut about the head. Mr. Wright regained consciousness at the hospital and dictated a cablegram to his brother at Lemans, France, and requested that the same message be sent to his sister and father at Dayton, O., assuring them that he was all right.

Don't Forget the Little Ones.

When you hear the big brass band, Awakening echoes on every hand, Remember how your daddies did

When you too was "Just a Kid." Remember how you longed to know What they'll do in the minstrel show,

How you yelled and jumped and ran, Down the street with the minstrel band, And you held your breath with eyes aglow,

When Dad said "Bill let's take in the show." Remember the little ones home now "Bill"

For they're waiting to hear the same old thrill And the band and show'll be just as fine

As they were to you in that olden time. And remember that J. A. Coburn's Show, Is the best on earth so you too can go.

Don't forget the date next Saturday at the opera house.

Mr. Barringer Here.

Mr. Osborne Barringer is in the city with two handsome automobiles today.

He came up from Charlotte in a handsome Buick runabout. Frank McRae brought one of his machines from Salisbury, making it in 1 hour and 50 minutes. This is considered good time, for the roughness of the roads.

One Killed and Several Injured

BIG FAIR BUILDING COLLAPSED.

The Large Exhibit Hall of the Piedmont Fair Collapses at Winston—Building was Being Raised for the Kern Speaking—Cause of Catastrophe Not Known—Large Shed to Take its Place.

Winston-Salem, Sept. 17.—One man was instantly killed and a dozen of his fellow-workmen were injured tonight at 7:15 o'clock at the Piedmont fair grounds here when the general exhibit hall nearing completion collapsed. The dead man is John H. Parker, aged 50, a widower, who was one of a force of carpenters. He was a native of Guilford county but had lived here for the last six years.

The exact cause of the catastrophe can scarcely be stated with exactness, but some of the workmen say that the cross beams on the second floor of the building separated at the point of joining along the middle line of the caving in and the walls bulging out all within five seconds, as a foreman expressed it. The building was the main structure of the group that is in course of construction at the new fair grounds and double forces of workmen have been engaged night and day getting them in readiness for the county fair October 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th. It is here that Hon. John W. Kern, democratic vice presidential candidate is to speak October 7th.

As soon as the first horror of the death of Parker had been experienced, the directors of the fair took counsel for the partial change of the plans the collapse of the building will necessitate. They are not responsible for the catastrophe. The building had not been delivered from the contractors, Harwood & Moss, of Norfolk, Va. Work will be begun tomorrow on a huge shed which will take the place of the collapsed building. The most rigid inspection will be made of the grandstand and other structures before the fair days so that all possible danger will be eliminated for the throngs that will be in attendance.

The building was 141x61 feet and two stories high, the timber was apparently sound and strong and the workmen say that there was no intimation of any defectiveness of construction. Quick as a wink, however, it crushed like an egg shell. Struck by a Beam.

Parker and another workman named Hodges were on the timbers designed to support the second floor when they felt them giving way. They half leaped, half fell to the floor below and dashed toward the east doorway, but just before they reached it a heavy beam struck Parker down, crushing in his skull. Hodges was hit but only slightly bruised, as were other workmen on the first floor. Only the foreman, W. W. Washburn got out unhurt, and he says he cannot explain it. The exits were all closed by the collapsed timbers. The electric lighting switch was immediately thrown off, preventing danger in this quarter to the men trapped inside. A hole was cut through the roof and the body of Parker drawn up through it, life being extinct. The minor injuries of the other men were attended to by physicians who hurried to the scene.

Five of the injured men were taken to the Twin City Hospital, one being hurt internally.

Iredell's Roads.

Iredell county's new road leading from Statesville to the five mile branch is fast nearing completion.

When finished this will be one of the best roads in the county. The section of this road being macadamized was one of the worst in the county before it was worked on.

With this new road, Iredell county will have about 25 miles of good roads. She is fast awakening to the situation and coming to the front in this matter.

Thumb Broken.

Yesterday afternoon, during the base ball game between the local colored team and the Winston team, Tom Garland suffered a broken thumb.

The wound which was pretty bad, was dressed by Dr. Anderson.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Some Happenings Among Those People You Know and Others You Don't Know.

Mr. Wade Allison returned from Richmond this morning.

Mrs. D. J. Kimball went to Elkin yesterday to visit Mr. A. G. Click.

Miss Gertrude Wood went to Greensboro to visit Mrs. F. L. Page.

Messrs. W. R. and W. A. Sloan returned this morning from Richmond.

Miss Norma Conger went to Concord Wednesday to enter the Sunderland school.

Misses Hallie Morrison and Annie Burns willhelm returned to the State Normal at Greensboro today.

Mrs. W. E. Carson, of Concord, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. J. S. Ramsey, returned home today.

Mrs. W. R. Maxwell, of Montgomery, Ala., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. S. Ramsey, returned home last night.

Judge and Mrs. A. L. Coble have returned from Caldwell county where they were present at Hon. S. L. Patterson's funeral.

Miss Myrtle Griffith of Winston, who has been spending some time with Miss Mary Austin Glover went to Salisbury last night to visit friends.

MUST REST, SAYS PHYSICIAN.

Bryan, His Managers Say, Cannot be Spared From the Platform.

New York, Sept. 17.—Hoarse from constant speaking, fagged and tired, Wm. J. Bryan arrived here this morning from Rochester. His physicians have advised him to take a rest but his political managers say they cannot spare him at this time, but will even extend the Commoner's tour to the Pacific coast. Bryan will only get one day in Lincoln, where he had planned to rest for a week. He remained in New York but an hour and went direct to Harrington and Wilmington, Del., where he speaks at both places today. Tomorrow at noon he speaks at Broadwater and at night will address the democratic hosts in Carnegie Hall under the auspices of the democratic organization. This is considered one of his most important speaking dates. A long conference was held on the way down from Rochester between Chairman Mack and Bryan. The last ten dates for speaking will be left open so that Bryan can be rushed wherever he is needed.

COTTON MARKET.

Local Market.

Prices at wagon:
Strict good middling.....10 1/4
Good middling.....10 1/8
Middling.....10
Stains and Tinges.....7@9
The market was steady.

New York Market.

The New York market showed a rise in spots.
Spots closed at 9.49.
Futures closed as follows:
October.....8.95
December.....8.77
January.....8.65
March.....8.66

Fish for Stocking Ponds.

Mr. W. H. Coffey of this county and Davis Bros., of Alexander county, yesterday received from the government, fish to stock ponds with.

The fish are of the Rock and Black Bass species. Mr. Coffey has built a fish pond at his hunting reserve near Olin and will stock it for his northern bird hunter guests.

Davis Bros., will stock their mill pond for the benefit of their guests at the Davis Sulphur Springs, near Hiddenite.

Cholera in Manila.

Manilla, September 17.—Five new cases and eight deaths is the cholera record at Manila today. All branches of the government is co-operating to fight the disease, which up to this time has been practically confined to the natives. The Transport Sheridan was fumigated today, but will not sail for San Francisco before Monday, owing to a new case discovered.

Mr. Sloan Has a Chance.

Mr. Noah Sloan who was kicked by a mule this week is resting very well. The doctors say he has some chance of recovering.

Nothing at all doing in the court circles of the city. The Statesville people are having a quiet town.

Run Down and Killed

WAS RETURNING FROM CHURCH.

Mrs. Ketner, While Returning From Church, was Run Down and Killed by Horse Ridden by Mr. Anderson Hedge.

Winston-Salem, Sept. 17.—Returning from church last night, in the company of several persons, Mrs. Alexander Ketner, 40 years old, wife of a farmer residing near Crater's Mill, seven miles west of this city, was run down by a horse, receiving injuries from which she died early today.

The horse was ridden by Mr. Anderson Hedge, a young man, who has a farm near Harmony Grove, church. When services at the church were over Mrs. Ketner with several friends were walking home in the roadway, when Mr. Hedge came along. He was riding fast, it is said, and the roadway was in shadow at the spot where the fatality occurred, so that the young man did not see the pedestrians until he was almost upon them. They made a scramble for safety at the side of the road, but Mrs. Ketner was too late.

The horse's hoofs struck her down and she lay senseless in the road, with wounds in the head. Horrified, those of the party who had escaped, rushed to her side and Mr. Hedge, who had succeeded in stopping the frightened horse a short distance away, came to her assistance. He was grief-stricken at the tragedy, which he said he was not able to prevent.

Mrs. Ketner was taken to her home and a physician summoned, but she expired in a few hours without having regained complete consciousness. The case is particularly sad, on account of her five children, two of them being twins, just two years old.

Plot Against the Emperor.

Paris, Sept. 16.—The police today confirmed the report that Emperor William was deterred from making a flying visit to the Schlucht pass in French vosegas by the discovery of a plot against his life by two Alsations. The plotters were unconcerned to the taking of Alsace Lorraine by the Germans forty years ago and chose the French territory for an attempt on the life of the Kaiser as the death penalty has virtually been abolished there. Their presence on the border with bombs in their possession was discovered by the police, who warned the Kaiser and urged him not to cross the frontier. The plotters are employees in a Mulhausen factory. They have not been captured, but are known to the police.

Love, the Motive Power.

"Love in the heart," it has been said, "is power in the arm." All philanthropic social action must have its motive power, which it is to be found in the affections. Mere mechanical ministry to men rarely accomplishes much, for at the best it but scratches the surface of human want, while the deep regions of need, where hungering hearts crave a loving sympathy and a spiritual guidance, go untouched and unhelped. The love which is to drive the machinery of social service, however, cannot be simply a shallow sentiment or a conventional pity, for it must be fed by Love Divine. Paul then had the right view of the genesis of social ministry when he said that the love of Christ constrained him.—Select.

Awards Sumner \$3,111.00.

The superior court of Buncombe yesterday awarded R. F. Sumner, administrator of Leonard Sumner, \$3,111.00 for damages, in a suit against the Southern Railway Co.

The plaintiff demanded \$20,000.00 on account of the death of Leonard Sumner at this place three years ago. People of this place will remember this occasion when young Sumner knocked from a car and killed.

A healthy man is a king in his own right; an unhealthy man is an unhappy slave. Burdock Blood Bitters builds up sound health—keeps you well.

The atmosphere is free from microbes at an elevation of 2,000 feet.