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No. 46 To Danville	3:15 P. M.
No. 12 To Richmond	7:10 P. M.
No. 32 To Washington	8:28 P. M.
No. 38 To Washington	9:30 P. M.
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No. 45 To Charlotte	4:35 P. M.
No. 35 To Atlanta	10:05 P. M.
No. 29 To Atlanta	2:52 A. M.
No. 31 To Augusta	6:07 A. M.
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No. 11 To Charlotte	9:05 A. M.
No. 135 To Atlanta	9:15 P. M.

BOY HERO RISES OUT OF THE CLEVELAND SCHOOL DISASTER

Thompson Davis Works Away to Support Five Orphans—Hundreds Visit Him

Columbia, June 12.—Four weeks ago on Thursday the Cleveland schoolhouse in Kershaw County, near Camden, burned, with the loss of 79 lives, 77 children, men and women and children, and two babies born in the excitement of the moment by expectant mothers, but today a brave community is coming back. A community that for these weeks has been stunned by the horror of it all, is beginning to awake to a realization of its future, a future of determined work and courage. Back to their plows they are turning, and the men and boys are cultivating their fertile lands, their hearts heavy but their hands firm.

Bravest of the brave is young Thompson Davis, 17-year-old son of a sturdy family of the Beulah section. On the night of the terrible tragedy he was left at home with his three younger brothers, Leroy, aged six; Marvin, aged four; and Charles Henry, 11 months old, while his mother and his father and his three sisters, Sarah, aged 11; Leila Mae, 14, and Line, nine, attended the commencement play, "Miss Topsy-Turvy," in the Cleveland school. The parents and two of the daughters lost their lives in the school fire, only Sarah being able to escape.

Young Davis will be 17 on June 15, and already on his young shoulders has fallen the burden of educating the four children. This he has set as his first big task, and to this end he is now cultivating a cotton crop on 30 acres of about as fine land as there is in South Carolina. Two of his brothers, Leroy and Marvin, are staying with an aunt for a short time, until another aunt, Mrs. Quinlan, of Chester, can move her home to the Beulah section, to be with her orphaned nephew and his little family. The youngest boy was taken sick shortly after the Cleveland fire and was moved to the Camden hospital for treatment. He will remain there until final arrangements are made for the future home life of the Davis children. In the old Davis home live young Thompson and his sister Sarah. Brave young hearts are theirs, and in tune with the beats of these hearts are pulses of a million of South Carolina men and women.

Broadus Thompson, an uncle, has been appointed guardian for the Davis children. Quite a sum of money has been sent to young Davis, from generous people throughout the land, and this has been deposited to his account, over against a day of rain.

The boy hero is quiet, he does not talk of his past or of his future plans, unless questioned. He says he is grateful for all that has been done for him by the good people of this state and of other parts of the land. Many people have called on him. Hundreds of automobiles have called at his home since the terrible tragedy that robbed him of his parents, these bringing friendly inquiries and helpers from points in both Carolina and Georgia.

With the harvesting of his crops, young Davis hopes to see his young sister and brother enrolled in the new school to be erected at "The Terrace," which is to be a consolidation of several schools and to accommodate the children formerly served by the Cleveland school.

Young Davis himself expects to enter

a preparatory school for Furman university, and then to attend Furman university itself, at Greenville. The education of the young man is being financed by friends unknown to him and to the world, good hearts who wish their names withheld, but who are playing the part of guardian angels to the needy little family. Their generosity is being dispensed through Mendal L. Smith, of Camden, prominent lawyer and former judge.

Young Davis is a lovable boy. His friends predict for him a brilliant career at college and then in whatever profession he may choose. With a brave heart, thrown by necessity on his own resources, he faces a friendly world, with a determination to conquer.

All of the children who were orphaned by the Cleveland school fire have been cared for, placed either in the homes of loving relatives or with people who will care for them and educate them as their own. The funds generously contributed by people of all states, have been handled wisely and carefully by the Red Cross and the Camden committee, of which Mayor M. G. Garrison, Jr., is chairman. In such cases as those of young Miller McLeod, Vernon McLeod and Eugene Brown, where whole families were wiped out, with the exception of the lone child survivor, farm lands have been taken over by near relatives, to be cultivated until permanent settlement of the situation can be arranged.

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The Mother of David Livingstone, Agnes Hunter, the girl who was to marry Neil Livingstone and to become the mother of David Livingstone, perhaps the world's most famous missionary-explorer, and certainly one of the world's ideal men, was a typical Scotch girl of the humbler classes. She was born in a humble home and brought up to work and work hard. Her life had in it none of the softer luxuries and few of the pleasures that most people enjoy. Like the people in Robert Burns' "Carter's Saturday Night" her father and mother were sincerely religious people, and trained their daughter in religious thought. When Agnes Hunter married Neil Livingstone she had no thought whatever that she was to gain anything except love. She looked forward to a hardworking life, and to a simple existence.

When her second child was born she named the boy "David," not only because "David" is a Bible name but also because it is a typical Scotch name. She held the little boy to her breast and sang him lullabies made from the Psalms. She whispered to him bits of Bible story, and in many ways gave him the richness of her love. Nevertheless, her life was a hard one and a busy one, for money was scarce and every one in the family had to work for a living. Even David himself, who had been sent to school for a time, had to find a job in the cotton mill when he was only a small boy ten years old. In a household of that sort a mother's love is doubly precious, for it is the sustainer and the supporter in the midst of hardships.

Agnes Hunter never lost her serene faith, nor the quiet dignity of her religious life. Her devotion appeared later in her famous son's untiring work in the African jungles. Out of the simple Scotch home where money was so scarce and where the necessity for hard work was so insistent there came the spirit that sent David Livingstone on his long journeys through the African wilderness—a journey lit by the impress of a mother's love and a mother's prayers for her boy.

Next: The mother of Beethoven.

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Bible thoughts memorized will prove a precious heritage in later years.

DARKNESS DISAPPEARS—Thou art my lamp, O Lord; and the Lord will lighten my darkness. For by thee I have run through a troop; by my God have I leaped over a wall.—2 Samuel 22:29, 30.

ANOTHER STANLY VERSION.

In discussing the matter of Stanly's action in spending her State Highway money, The Albemarle Press says:

"We have no grievance against Concord and Cabarrus county in their desire to get Stanly county to change her intention of hard surfacing the road which leads through No. 10 township in Cabarrus on to Charlotte, and to build this road through Mt. Pleasant and Concord. The lower route under revised survey will give from five to ten miles shorter travel than would the one through Concord, but Stanly feels that there is more at stake than this. Of late years, Stanfield, Oakboro, Locust, and in fact, the entire southwestern section of our county has shown strong tendency towards fast development along educational and industrial lines, and when "Lannie" Groves gets his mill started at Oakboro, it is expected that even more will take place which has taken place now. As to the Cabarrus contention that the spirit of the law of applying the funds to be obtained should lead us to apply it to connecting the county seats of Stanly and Cabarrus first, there is not sufficient essence in this to cause Stanly to turn aside from a plan which would be to her greater interests, if this can be shown, in the employment of the road funds at her command. The question of broadest service to the greater number should dominate. But The Press would assure the people of Cabarrus that Stanly county entertains feelings of strongest friendship for them, and whatever course is taken will be as free from selfish control as possible."

Concord is going to send a delegation to Albemarle next week to discuss road matters and while it is evident from the above editorial and from other reports coming from Albemarle that the Stanly people are already decided as to the Charlotte road, we think it is well and good that this matter should be discussed by men from the two cities. Stanly citizens who want the road to go to Charlotte favor that road because they think it will be of greater benefit to their county than the road to Concord. Concord people think the road to this city would be of the greater advantage. It is a question that should be thoroughly discussed at least.

The location of the road will not affect the friendship of the two counties, of course. Stanly and Cabarrus have always been as brothers and they are going to continue that way.

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19005—Toot Tootsie Good Bye	Milly Murray and Ed Smalle
I'm Just a Little Blue	Helen Clarke
Down By the Old Apple Tree	Ed Smalle
19010—Come On Home	Miss Patricia and The Virginians
When You and I Were Young Maggie Blues	Billy Murray
18999—Sunset Valley	Peerless Quartet
In a Corner of the World All of Our Own	Edna Brown and Billy Murray
18076—Loving Sam	Miss Patricia and The Virginians
Away Down East	Miss Patricia and The Virginians
18078—Chop Chop Blues	The Virginians
Kiss Mama Kiss Papa	The Virginians
18067—Hot Lips	Miss Patricia and The Virginians
All For the Love of Mike	Miss Patricia and The Virginians
18042—Away Down East in Maine	Peerless Quartet
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CAN'T SEE THE LIGHT.

It seems that some people will never be able to see the light. In practically every city in the country today there are building and loan associations offering safe investments, still we find many people who would rather invest their money in something foolish. The Greensboro News finds that "thousands of people have lost millions of dollars in the collapse of New York Curb brokerage concerns within the past few days, and bucket-shop victims are still putting up a loud and desolate chorus. Building and loan stock yields only a modest percentage per year, sound commercial securities not a great deal more. But the money put into such things stays put."

Those last two words express the real worth of the building and loan associations, of which Concord has three of the best in North Carolina. "When you invest in these organizations your money stays put" (and it is there for you, with reasonable interest, all of the time). People who will invest their money in "curb market firms and similar enterprises deserve little sympathy when the inevitable "shock" comes.

Eight new American firms have recently opened offices in Shanghai.

Bringing Up Bill

YOU CAN'T BLAME HIM FOR THINKING THAT—

A Task

MOM!!!

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WHAT?

WHY OF COURSE NOT—WHO TOLD YOU SUCH A SILLY THING?

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