

42 PERSONS KILLED IN TRAFFIC WRECKS DURING PAST WEEK

Total Was Four Less Than For Previous Week.—20 More Hurt Than During the Week Before.

GRADE CROSSINGS ACCIDENTS MANY

Eleven Persons Killed in North Carolina and 11 Others Were Injured in the State.

(By the Associated Press) Forty-two persons killed and 278 injured was the traffic toll reported in eleven Southern states during the past week, a survey conducted by the Associated Press reveals.

Six persons were killed in grade crossing accidents. Five young girls met tragic deaths near Gastonia, N. C., yesterday when a light truck in which they were riding was demolished by a passenger train of the Southern Railway.

The sixth grade crossing fatality was reported in the vicinity of Norfolk, Va. Nine persons were injured at Orlando, Fla., last week during the tropical hurricane that swept the coast sections, when a train crashed into a motor bus at a crossing.

Two trainmen were killed in Georgia and Florida resulting from train wrecks caused by washouts. Two men were killed at Lynchburg, Va., yesterday when the plane in which they were passengers crashed to the ground.

Included in Florida's report of four persons killed and sixty-six injured, were six men injured when the Italian steamer Ansaldo San Giorgio Secondo was caught in the hurricane's path.

The unusual number of persons injured in Florida was attributed to the hurricane and the attendant increased danger of traffic of all descriptions. North Carolina led all southern states in the number of fatalities with eleven, and reported eleven persons injured.

A tabulation by states for the week includes: Virginia, five killed, twenty-two injured. North Carolina, eleven killed, and eleven injured. South Carolina, two killed and five injured.

With Our Advertisers. Last month of summer. For lowest coal prices see the experienced coal dealer at K. L. Craven & Sons, Phone 74.

On Tuesday, August 3, at 11 a. m. E. M. Youngblood, assignee, will sell the highest bidder the stock of groceries, fixtures and furniture of the Piggly Wiggly Store here. See ad.

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The Yorks & Wadsworth Co. has just received a big shipment of A and B batteries for radio, and also automobile batteries for small cars.

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Specials for this week only at the Yorks & Wadsworth Co.—30x3 tube at \$1.50 and 30x3 1-2 tube at \$1.60. They are first-grade Pathfinders too.

The Citizens Bank and Trust Co. will act as trustee under your will. See ad.

Catholics Willing To Let People Decide On New Religious Plans

Will Enter Truce With the Government Until People Express Themselves by Plebiscite.

CAPITAL IS QUIET AS ANY SUNDAY

A Big Labor Parade Was Held But There Was No Demonstration Made by Catholic Adherents.

Mexico City, Aug. 2.—(AP)—An announcement that the Catholic Episcopate is willing to enter a truce with the Mexican government until the Mexican people are able to express themselves by a plebiscite on the religious controversy and the discovery of a plot to assassinate President Calles were the outstanding features of Mexico's first prelates Sunday.

Withstanding the great parade of the regional confederation of labor which required two hours to pass a given point, the day was a peaceful one as the capital city has known.

While the marchers passed the palace where President Calles, surrounded by his ministers stood waving his handkerchief in answer to the cheering, members of the faithful were kneeling in prayer in various churches, beseeching an amelioration of the situation brought about by the government putting into force its new religious regulations.

All the Catholic churches without priests at the altars were open for prayer and meditation except the great cathedral and several of the down town places of worship, past which the parade made its way. Doors of these were closed in the fear that some untoward event might occur.

Dispatches from all parts of the republic indicate that tranquility prevailed Sunday everywhere. Although there was tense feeling at some places no actual trouble developed. The government had made strong military preparations in advance to suppress disorder promptly.

The impression of willingness to arrange a truce with the government was made exclusively to the Associated Press by the episcopate. It was suggested it should run for a reasonable length of time to give the people a chance to vote on the situation.

But when three women witnesses are called upon to take the witness stand in an open courtroom, with a throng of curious onlookers, they are not likely to be so willing to testify.

So it is feared that if the court insists on the personal appearance of witnesses, it may be a difficult matter to produce them, especially as a number of those at the former hearing came from a number of other states, one having been said to have come all the way from Missouri.

Legal opinion seems to differ on just what can be done in the case, some holding that the case can be decided on the record of the hearing before the State medical board, other holding that the whole affair will have to be tried in the court.

It is generally agreed, however, that the appeal taken by Dr. Carroll from the decision of the State medical board of examiners to the Superior Court of Buncombe county can be heard by the judge on the record, with argument by attorneys from both sides, without the necessity of hearing before a jury.

But whether the suit filed in Wake county to close the sanitarium can be as easily disposed of remains to be seen.

Solicitor F. Don Phillips, failing to convict Nevin C. Crawford of murder, has announced plans for trying him on charges of assaulting women, from which the injured man is said to have died.

Five Killed and One Injured When Train Strikes a Truck

Gastonia, Aug. 1.—Five girls were killed and one was seriously injured at Gambrell's grade crossing between Gastonia and Bessemer City this afternoon shortly before 6 o'clock when a Ford truck in which they were riding was struck and completely demolished by Southern passenger train No. 45, pulled by one of the new Crecent Limited green locomotives.

WOMAN GOING STRONG IN EFFORT TO SWIM CHANNEL

Dover, England, Aug. 2.—(AP)—At 1 o'clock this afternoon five hours after entering the water, Miss Carabel Barrett, of New York, was twelve miles out on a straight line between Dover and Calais in her attempt to conquer the English Channel.

COTTON STATISTICS

Given by H. G. Hester, of New Orleans Cotton Exchange. New Orleans, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Secretary H. G. Hester, of the New Orleans cotton exchange, announced today the commercial crop for the ending July 31st amounting to 15,614,707 bales, an increase over last year of 916,351, an increase over the previous year of 4,324,310; and an increase over 1922 and 1923 of 4,331,901 bales.

LADY ASTOR AND FOUR CHILDREN IN AMERICA

Noted Woman Says She Wants Her Children to See America. Boston, Mass., Aug. 2.—(AP)—Lady Astor, first woman member of the British parliament, arrived in Boston on the S. S. Samaria today with the announced intention of showing America her four children who accompanied her.

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Violent Earthquake Recorded

Faenza, Italy, Aug. 2.—(AP)—A violent earthquake lasting three hours, the center estimated to be 9,000 kilometers (5,592 miles) away, was recorded on the seismograph at Prof. Raphael Bendandi's observatory here today.

McPHERSON INQUIRY AGAIN HALTED FOR LACK OF EVIDENCE

District Attorney Says New Evidence Is Too Vague to Be of Value to Grand Jury on Case. EVANGELIST AND FRIENDS HAPPY

They Claim Move Shows Strength of Arguments They Have Offered as to Kidnapping of Woman.

Los Angeles, Aug. 2.—(AP)—The Aimee Semple McPherson disappearance case investigation has been discontinued again by District Attorney Asa Keyes because he declares "it would cost the country thousands of dollars to convict anyone of perjury." He also said he considers new evidence obtained at Carmel an ocean resort north of here as too vague to be of value.

A FIGHTING HUSBAND GETTING TOO SOFT

Somebody Opposed to Men Asking His Wife to Be a Rodeo. (By International News Service) Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 2.—Thomas Pike is one man in Memphis who doesn't believe in any modern stuff of wives running around with other men.

28 ILL AS RESULT OF TAINTED FOOD

Score Poisoned by Wedding Cake and Eight Others When They Ate Bean in Basement. Chicago, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Twenty-eight persons were ill here today as a result of eating tainted food. A score were poisoned, supposedly after eating a cake at a wedding celebration. Eight others, two women and six children, were poisoned when their curiosity tempted them to taste a curious bean found in the basement of the firm.

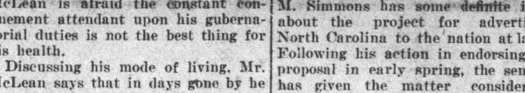
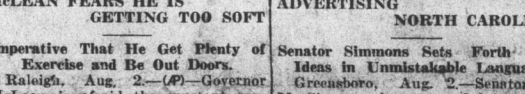
Husband Tortures Fireman; Says He Kissed His Wife

St. Paul, Minn., July 31.—Jealousy over alleged attentions paid his wife, led Walter H. Fletcher to beat and torture Edward Horrigan, a city fireman, yesterday, police declared today. Fletcher held Horrigan, his boyhood friend, a prisoner five hours while he burned, flayed and whipped the fireman.

Heads University Women

Amsterdam, Holland, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Dr. Ellen Glenditch, of Norway, was elected president of the International Federation of University Women today. Prof. Winifred Cullis, of England; Mme. Nelly Schriber, of Switzerland; and Prof. Joanna Weerdter, of Holland, were chosen vice-presidents.

Pictorial Capsule Newspaper



FOREIGN: M. Franklin Bouillon, enemy of the French debt settlement, rejected the ambassadorship to Washington. STAGE: Mrs. Lorraine Manville Gould became America's richest actress with the inheritance of her share of the estate of her father, asbestos king. SOCIAL: Lady Astor, American-born member of Parliament, is on her way to the United States, incognito. SPORTS: Harry Hartz held an almost unbeatable lead for the season auto racing championship.

McLEAN FEARS HE IS GETTING TOO SOFT

Imperative That He Get Plenty of Exercise and Be Out Doors. Raleigh, Aug. 2.—(AP)—Governor McLean is afraid the constant non-attendance upon his gubernatorial duties is not the best thing for his health.

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Jones Appointed Solicitor

Raleigh, Aug. 2.—Following the resignation of Solicitor J. B. Swain, of the nineteenth judicial district, Governor A. W. McLean has appointed G. Lyle Jones, of Asheville, to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. Swain. The appointment was first tendered Robert M. Wells, Democratic candidate for solicitor of the nineteenth district in November, because of the press of private affairs, he declined.

MAKE INQUIRY INTO EVENTS LEADING TO DEATH OF BARONESS

Miami Police Officers Seek Light in Mystery of Suicide of Baroness Boyce Garrett Friday. HUSBAND SAID HE ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

Was Found in a Thick North of Miami With a Piece of Heavy Twine Wrapped Around Neck.

Miami, Fla., Aug. 2.—(AP)—A coroner's jury today inquired into the chain of events which culminated Friday night in the death of the Baroness Boyce-Garrett, and the arrest of her husband, Baron Michael Boyce-Garrett, formerly of the Russian nobility.

The Baroness leaped to her death from the eighth floor of the fashionable Everglades Hotel. The body, clasp of a piece of heavy twine was found by police in a dense thicket north of Miami where she said he was about to hang himself.

A suicide pact of seven years standing entered into between the two after the Baroness, a noted singer, had lost a \$5,000,000 heritage in the war, and through with Bolsheviks in Russia caused the couple to plan death.

The Baron today expressed disappointment that his youthful wife had not died with him as she had promised. The couple met in a Russian military hospital where the Baron was recuperating from amputation of a leg lost in the war.

The Baron played billiards from shortly after noon until late at night. "Friday morning my wife told me the time had come to die," the Baron told police, "that she could not fight any longer, and that we must die together as we had lived together. I told her to wait until morning and we would go out to Coconut Grove, get in a boat together, tie a rope around our necks and die. When this was decided we were both joyful."

"My wife told me she would not cross with me if I went out and stayed late. She said this is the last day on earth for you to smoke and play billiards and have a good time, so you go out. You catch the last car back home, but be sure to buy a newspaper before you come. We will spend our last night together and prepare to die in the morning."

He purchased a piece of twine and walked on crutches to the nearest tree, but could not climb. He boarded bus and rode to a tangled thicket a few miles north of Miami where he remained throughout Saturday. Here he was found by police when his efforts to climb trees to hang himself attracted attention of residents.

Judge J. L. Webb to Retire at Term End. Charlotte, Aug. 1.—Judge James L. Webb, of Shelby, with four years yet to serve on his present term as a judge of Superior Court, said in Charlotte Saturday that he will not be a candidate for re-election in 1927.

Noted Jewish Author and Playwright Dies. London, Aug. 1.—Israel Zangwill, noted playwright and man of letters, died today.

Morse Improved Today. Bath, Me., Aug. 2.—(AP)—Charles W. Morse was recovering today from what was described by his family as a slight shock suffered yesterday at his summer home here. The aged financier was stricken during the middle forenoon and was unconscious all day.

A church in Clinton, Mass., had paid \$44,000 to an engineer for designing an arch which for 23 years had marred the church services.

THE WEATHER

Partly cloudy tonight. Showers west portion; Tuesday showers, moderate southwest winds.