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THREE MEN ASPHYXIATED

Found Dead in Raleigh Hotel Last Night

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 5.—Special.—Three young men, R. A. Johnson, H. T. Porter and J. A. Jernegan, of Benson, this state, were asphyxiated in one of the Wilson apartments on Fayetteville street. The men were found at 8:30 tonight and the physicians who made examinations of the bodies of the men differ as to the length of time the men had been dead, the general opinion however, being that they had been dead ten or twelve hours.

There is no special indication of foul play, and the death of the young men is a very great mystery. They are intelligent looking and people seeing them just before they are reported to have gone to their room say that they were not intoxicated. Two of the bodies were lying across the bed and the other was on the floor, looking as if the man had fallen down a faint.

The young men came to Raleigh Sunday afternoon, driving a machine from their home, and brought with them two young ladies of Benson. When they arrived here the young ladies went to the home of a friend and the men carried the machine to a garage and then took rooms in the Wilson apartments. They were seen on the streets today, but no one knew just when they went to their rooms.

The door of the room was locked and so was the window. The room is heated and lighted with gas and both burners were turned on when the door was broken into. It first appeared that the men "blew the gas out," but they must have been too intelligent for that and there is absolutely no grounds so far as has been learned, that would indicate that they intended suicide. The evidence of foul play is still less probable from all appearances. When found the men were in a state of dishevelment, that would indicate they were dressing for the evening.

It is reported on the best of authority that Miss Edna Weeks, one of the ladies of the Benson party, and Mr. R. A. Johnson were to have been married before they left the city. Miss Weeks went to the theatre this evening with a friend and has been prostrated with grief since she was notified of the death of the young men. Parents and friends of the dead men have been notified and they are rushing to the city. Some of them will reach here tonight on automobile.

The case is a mysterious one and nobody seems to be able to throw any light on the matter. A whiskey bottle or two was found in the room but there is no indication that the three dead men used the contents of the bottles and there are witnesses who testify that they were not intoxicated the last time they saw them which was not such a great while before they must have been overcome by the gas fumes.

Judge Pritchard Speaks in Baltimore.

Baltimore, Jan. 29.—Judge J. C. Pritchard, of North Carolina, in a speech here tonight, told of the changes for good in that State since the banishment of saloons. Part of the State, he added, was dedicated to the Lord, and part of it to the devil.

BANK OF ROXBORO.

Bank of Roxboro Holds its Annual Meeting.

On Saturday the 3rd the stockholders of the Bank of Roxboro held their annual meeting. The following officers were elected: Mr. E. B. Reade, president. Dr. R. S. Baynes, 1st vice president. Judge D. W. Bradsher, 2nd vice president. W. F. Long, cashier, and B. G. Clayton, assistant cashier.

Mr. J. B. Harvie was added to the board of directors.

A dividend of 8 per cent was declared, with quite a neat sum carried to the surplus.

Few institutions have had a more successful career than this bank. It was the second bank organized here, and to many, it was thought to be a risky proposition, for they did not think the town large enough to support two banks, but time has shown that the organizers knew what they were doing. Since its organization in 1904 it has paid to its stockholders 98 per cent. in cash dividends, and now has a surplus of nearly 50 per cent. Mr. W. F. Long, the efficient and popular cashier, has been in this position ever since its organization. The stockholders have shown their wisdom in keeping him at this post, for there is not a more accommodating or better bank man in the country, and he has proved his worth by his success.

At the meeting the bank decided to enlarge the bank building, building to the street and making the building two stories, which will give them some much needed room.

Has Helped Wilson Say Bryan.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 30.—So far in the opinion of William J. Bryan, Gov. Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey, has been helped rather than hurt because of his controversy with Col. Henry Watterson of Kentucky, and he considers Governor Wilson "right in believing that a man is sometimes hurt by the sort of men clamorous in his support."

"I am under no bond to keep the peace," declared Mr. Bryan tonight in discussing the political situation in general, while waiting for his train en route to his farm at Mission, Texas. "Harmony is not the most desirable thing in public life. The organizations proceeding upon that principle can progress only as fast as the slowest of its element."

Josephus Daniels Made Chairman of Democratic Press Committee.

Baltimore, Feb. 5.—Norman E. Mack, chairman of the Democratic national committee and all but three members of the committee on arrangements for the Democratic national convention to be held here in June, spent the greater part of today here in conferences relating to convention matters.

The architect's plans for altering the Fifth regiment armory were approved with some minor changes. The preparations that are being made for accommodating visitors and the scale of prices presented to the committee were approved.

National Committeeman Daniel of North Carolina himself a newspaper editor—was made chairman of the press committee. He appointed J. D. Preston, superintendent of the United States senate press gallery, and Charles Albert, chairman of the standing committee of the senate and house press galleries, as assistants.

Crex 9x12 druggers. Former price \$8.50 now \$4.98. Bernann & Lipchiz.

UNDERWOOD IN RACE.

A Bureau Established to Promote His Interests.

Washington, Feb. 5.—Representative Underwood, of Alabama, may now be regarded as a full fledged presidential candidate, an energetic bureau being engaged in disseminating information as to his availability.

According to a statement issued tonight a movement in his behalf has been inaugurated in North Carolina. H. V. Varner, of Lexington, was quoted as saying that an active interest has developed in Mr. Underwood's cause. According to Mr. Varner the battle cry of the Underwood forces will be "the south for a southerner," or words to that effect. He says that if the south would attend the Baltimore convention with forces lined up in a way suggesting solidity and unity of purpose Mr. Underwood would be nominated and once nominated would be elected because he would carry New York.

TORE UP TRACKS OF SEABOARD RAILWAY.

Lumberton, N. C., Feb. 3.—There has been some excitement in railroad circles of the Lumberton Cotton Mills today. Some time last night the Seaboard siding at the mill was torn up for a distance of a hundred yards or more and at an early hour this morning it was found that the Mayor of East Lumberton and two or three policemen were on guard duty with instructions to allow no one connected with the Seaboard to enter the grounds, the V. & S. C. people being in charge of the work of putting down their tracks where the Seaboard track had been.

Agent Beverly, of the Seaboard and Master Bryan went down to investigate the trouble but were forbidden to go on the ground. At 8 o'clock tonight guards are on duty to prevent any attempt of the seaboard to rebuild the track tonight. The outcome is being watched with interest.

School Children Almost Frozen.

Waynesville, Feb. 5.—This was the coldest morning that Waynesville has experienced in fifteen years. Mercury descended seven degrees below zero. The graded school suspended on account of the cold. There having been no fire in the furnace since Friday the janitor found it impossible to get building heated in time for school. At nine o'clock mercury registered 30 in the recitation rooms.

Sunday morning the biggest show we have had in five years was found to cover mother earth. From early Sunday morning until ten o'clock at night the incline on Depot street was thronged with coasters both old and young participating in the sport. From the effect of coasting on Depot street it has become dangerous to travel and is completely abandoned by vehicles. At Haze Wood mercury went ten degrees below zero.

Out of Commission.

Washington Feb. 3.—Senator Robert M. LaFollette, on the verge of a physical breakdown, has cancelled all his speaking engagements for the next two weeks at Trenton, Jersey City and elsewhere and will seek a complete rest. He has decided to drop entirely all his work for a fortnight.

FOR WATTS HOSPITAL.

Durham, Feb. 1.—Special. The endowment fund of the Watts hospital is to be increased about \$100,000 by Mr. George W. Watts, the founder of the institution, by the erection of a large apartment house in Durham the rentals from which are to be used as an income for the hospital.

The building is to be erected at the corner of West Main and Watts streets on the vacant lot which was occupied by the old hospital. It will be three stories in height, of pressed brick and stone and will contain ten five room apartments and a number of two room apartments for unmarried men. The plans have been drawn for the building and work will be started in the spring.

This donation will make the total expenditure made by Mr. Watts for the hospital more than \$1,000,000, including an endowment of several hundred thousand dollars already provided.

FIVE MINUTES.

Sourness, Gas, Heartburn and Stomach Distress Will Disappear.

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State's Oldest Editor Dead.

Scotland Neck, Feb. 2.—E. F. Hilliard, the oldest editor in point of service in North Carolina, died at his home here at a late hour last night, after an illness of several weeks. Mr. Hilliard edited the Scotland Neck, Commonwealth for 26 years, retiring three years ago on account of failing health. He still retained his holdings in the Commonwealth and was a frequent contributor to its columns, as well as other state papers. He was prominent in political and church affairs and was known throughout the state. As a public speaker he was in great demand up to the time his health failed.

Refugee Seeks Big Damages From Farmers.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 2.—Ben Salter, an aged negro of Pensacola, Fla., has entered suits for \$70,000 damages in the Federal Court against seven white farmers, of Crenshaw county, Ala. He alleges that they were members of a mob which, in December 1910, drove him and his family from their farm in Crenshaw county, burned his house, destroyed and carried off property valued at \$2,500 and forced Salter to leave the State.

Salter was suspected of being implicated in the shooting of a white man.

Hearst Buys Paper.

Washington, Feb. 5.—It became known here tonight that William Randolph Hearst, of New York, has bought the Atlanta Georgian.

January Was Coldest.

Now that January is gone it may be safe to talk about her. Wherefore, let it be recorded that the particular month which has finally taken a welcome departure was the coldest of her name in 17 years and the second coldest in 34 trips of the earth around the sun. Consider that the phenomena unraveled included a genuine cold wave, two snowstorms, three sleetstorms, the second heaviest snowfall and the lowest mark in temperature in thirteen years. This do, and thank your stars that you weathered all this weather as successfully as you did, even if mayhap you were laid low by the designing grip germ or if you are still in the grip of a cold that is undeniably bad. Remember, that it won't happen again, maybe, for an awfully long while, and surely not soon in such unbroken doses.

Careless About Appendicitis In Roxboro.

Many Roxboro people have stomach or bowel trouble which is likely to turn into appendicitis. If you have constipation, sour stomach, or gas on the stomach, try simple buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as compounded in Adler-ika the new German appendicitis remedy. Hambrick & Austin states that a Single Dose of this simple remedy will relieve bowel or stomach trouble almost instantly.

Roosevelt Favors "Votes For Women."

New York, Feb. 2.—Former President Theodore Roosevelt comes out flatly for woman's suffrage in an editorial in The Outlook, issued today. While favoring votes for women the Colonel attacks certain exponents of "the cause," who discredit themselves and their sex by disorderly antics in public. "I believe in woman's suffrage wherever the women want it. Where they do not want it suffrage should not be forced upon them," he says.

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