

Raleigh Hotel Burns Down

Flames Roar Up Elevator Shaft And Rapidly Spread Over Building

MOTHER AND CHILDREN RESCUED JUST IN TIME

Raleigh, July 4.—The Yarrowburgh Hotel, one of the most historic hostels of the South, was virtually destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. The damage by fire and water was estimated at \$200,000.

Starting from an undetermined cause in the basement, the fire roared up the elevator shaft and rapidly consumed the building. For three hours the Raleigh Fire Department, assisted by trucks from Durham and Smithfield, fought the stubborn blaze before they finally got it under control.

The most thrilling incident of the fire was the rescue of Mrs. R. C. Powell, wife of the manager, and her two children, who were trapped in their room on the third floor.

The hotel was owned by the Grimes Realty Company, executor of the Grimes estate. Shareholders are W. B. Grimes, Mrs. F. B. Daney, of Baltimore, Mrs. John Ward, W. G. Haywood and F. J. Haywood, of Concord. W. B. Grimes, president of the company, was not ready last night to make an estimate of either the loss or the value of the building. It was largely covered by insurance, he said.

The hotel was leased by the Griffin-Elm Hotel Company, and, as reported by W. F. Somers, the Grimes estate, which belonged to the Griffin-Elm Company, was insured for \$52,000, which, it is estimated, will more than cover this item of the loss as soon as it is still usable.

In addition to the damage done to the hotel and its contents, the stores of the State Shirt Shop, Hudson's Fifth Company, James H. Farley, Gus Zander and Berzangers suffered damage from smoke and water.

Started in Basement
The fire started in the basement on an undetermined cause. It was given impetus by a pool of oil at the bottom of the elevator shaft and in a few minutes had flared up the shaft and was spreading to every part of the building.

So rapid was the spread of the flames that Mrs. R. C. Powell, wife of the manager, and her children and a number of guests were cut off from the steps. Most of them, however, were able to climb down fire escapes.

Mrs. Powell when the smoke first rolled into her room on the third floor, picked up both her children and started towards the steps. A roaring wall of flame headed her off and she was driven back to the window of her room where she perched, with her little boy in one arm and her six weeks old baby in the other, until firemen carried the three down the ladder.

Crowd Fears Tragedy
For a few minutes minutes that seemed like hours to the breathless crowds packing the street below, it seemed that Mrs. Powell was going to throw her baby out of the window and jump to almost certain death herself. Men and women screamed to her to wait but the black clouds of smoke and the approaching tongues of flame seemed to have her nerve stricken. But the woman's nerve held and she waited until the ladder was up and three firemen, followed by Mr. Powell, dashed up the ladder to the rescue.

Mrs. Powell was in a very nervous condition last night, the strain of her experience telling on her, but she was getting better, said her husband.

One humorous incident of the fire, an incident which seemed likely to become a tragedy, concerned firemen's efforts to save a somewhat inebriated guest of the hotel who was sleeping during the fire. The firemen went into his room and tried to get him out but the man didn't want to come. He seemed to think the firemen were policemen and three times broke away from them and started back into his room. Finally it was necessary to drag him out by main strength and awkwardness and lock him up in the city jail until he sobered enough to keep out of the fire. He would not give his name to the desk sergeant and no charge was entered against him.

Beautiful as a rare flower, Billie Dove in "The Yellow Lily" with Olive Brooks at Palace Theatre, Monday & Tuesday, July 9-10th, Matinee Monday 3:00 P. M.

Senator Simmons In Sanatorium For Rest; Frank Hampton Back

Washington, July 3.—Senator Simmons has gone to a sanatorium in Maryland, near Washington, for a complete rest of two weeks. His activities in the recent campaign have tended to check the healing of the nerves on one side of his head, which became severed from an attack of herpes last year, and his physicians have recommended that he divorce himself from all activities of every kind for a short period. Frank Hampton, secretary to the Senator, returned today from Houston, where he went to attend the National Democratic Convention. He had no statement to make as to the outcome. He was as philosophical about it as Senator Simmons has been.

Five Deaths As Result Tornado

St. Paul, Minn., July 3.—Five deaths and more than a score of persons injured had been reported Tuesday as the result of a series of tornado and electrical storms in the Northwest. Property damage was estimated at more than \$1,000,000.

The storms were general in four states: Minnesota, Wisconsin, and North and South Dakota, late Sunday night and Monday. Two young men were killed by lightning, two persons died in barn crashes, and a woman was killed in an automobile accident attributed to the storm.

Notice

To my Friends of Person County:
Just a few words please. I appreciate and will never forget the wonderful support you gave me and have always given me. Four years ago you supported and elected me Sheriff of this County. My honest desire has always been to give service, and by your vote you have shown me that you appreciate it. Of course, no one likes to be defeated, but I can say, though defeated, I feel highly honored by your vote.

There is no living man who could have won over this combination. To win, we would have had to beat the Republican Party and a part of the Democratic Party. Again I thank you. I will be in office until December 1st, and if there is anything you need done in your community, call me. My desire is still to serve and do duty where duty demands.

Sincerely yours,
Nat V. Brooks.

Notice!

I have quite a number of letters wanting to buy farms in this County. If you have a farm you want to sell or rent, please get in touch with me and list your farms. There is no charge for this service, and if you are willing to sell at fair prices I believe I can help you make a deal. Please give me full details of the farm, what kind of buildings, number of acres, how much in cultivation, and how much woodland, etc. Come to see me, or write full particulars at once.

C. H. HUNTER,
Sec. Chamber of Commerce

Births

Born to Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Hughes, a son, Charles Wilson, at Watt's hospital, Monday, June 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Wilson announce the birth of a daughter on Friday, June 29th.

May Pauline Newell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Newell, was born June 26th.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Bowen, a son, David Hogue, on June 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. Cessal J. Clayton announce the birth of twin girls Saturday, June 30th.

Notice

There will be a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners Monday, July 9th, for the purpose of hearing complaints of property owners in regard to valuations for the year of 1928, at 10 A. M.

W. T. KIRBY, Clerk to Board

Leaves Race



Governor Albert Ritchie of Maryland, who withdrew his name as a candidate for the Democratic Presidential Nomination, asserting that personal advancement should not be allowed to interfere with Democratic success, he suggested that Maryland's 18 votes be cast for Alfred E. Smith.

FLYERS GIVE UP ENDURANCE HOP

Dessau, Germany, July 3.—Pilots Johann Ristler and Hans Zimmermann, who started Monday in an attempt to break the duration flight, gave up Monday night after being in the air 17 1/2 hours. The airmen landed because of a defect in their exhaust pipe.

DANIELS CALLS UPON SOUTH TO SUPPORT GOV. SMITH TICKET

Prefers To Vote For Smith And Fight Modificationists In Congress.

WONT GO TO ASHEVILLE

Dallas, Texas, July 1.—In a special dispatch to the Dallas News Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy in the Cabinet of President Wilson, calls upon the Democrats of the South to stand solidly behind the party nominee for President.

Mr. Daniels said he preferred to support Governor Smith and fight in Congress any attempt to weaken the prohibition laws rather than support the "party which has been as false to prohibition as it has been true to corruption."

He issued the statement shortly before leaving Houston. Mr. Daniels said he would not go to the conference at Asheville, N. C., called by Bishop Cannon, of Richmond, Va., and Arthur J. Barton, dry leaders, to convene between July 1 and July 14, "unless I go as a reporter."

Declaring that he has been a "dry and a Democrat for 45 years, he said he cannot change himself in either respect. "Even though Smith's statement makes it somewhat difficult for a dry Democrat to accept his assumption of leadership for modification of the prohibition law."

"I deny that any leadership has been given him (Governor Smith) by the Democratic Party to do anything on prohibition except the declaration of the party in the platform which pledged him to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment and all laws in pursuance thereof," the statement read. "This means the Volstead Act and can mean nothing else."

The Girl Scouts

The Girl Scouts have recently been caring for babies. They are doing this in order to get child nurse badges. On Tuesday night they started studying for the cooking badge, and others later on.

Will Visit Europe

Miss Janie Burns left last Thursday for New York where she sailed for a three months stay in the old country.

That the cause of acute rheumatism would be found in a microbe was recently declared by Prof. W. H. Eyre while speaking at the Institute of Hygiene at Belfast, Ireland.

Billie Dove ("The Screen's Bird of Paradise") in her most gorgeous role "THE YELLOW LILY" with Olive Brooks at Palace Theatre Monday & Tuesday, July 9-10th, Matinee Monday 3:00 P. M.

Melvin T. Clayton Wins In Contest For Sheriff

The Run-Off For Nomination For Office Of Sheriff Was Hotly Contested

CLAYTON WINS BY A MAJORITY OF 207

The second primary held last Saturday between the present sheriff, Mr. N. V. Brooks and Mr. M. T. Clayton was one of the warmest contests staged here in many elections. At no time during the last few days of the contest did either claim an outstanding victory, both claiming the contest by small margins. There was a very large vote cast, the total vote being 2835, Clayton receiving 1521 and Brooks 1314, giving Clayton a majority of 207.

The vote by precincts is as follows:

Precinct	Clayton	Brooks
Al	61	23
Albionville	157	27
Bethel Hill	81	10
Bushy Fork	94	180
Cetto	23	43
Chandler's Store	34	19
Cunningham	37	33
Chub Lake	65	61
Glenn's Store	37	14
Dixon's Store	65	29
Helena	73	95
Morial	24	37
Olive Hill	48	171
East Roxboro	409	242
West Roxboro	295	339
Woodsdale	39	24

Dates Set For Opening Of Tobacco Markets

Norfolk, Va., June 28.—Efforts of eastern Carolina interests for an earlier opening in the tobacco markets in that area was partially successful today when the sales committee of the Tobacco Association of the United States, meeting at Old Point, recommended that these markets open this year on August 28. The recommendation was promptly approved by the association.

The date set is one week later than the Carolina delegation headed by Felix Harvey Jr. of Kingston had requested, but 12 days earlier than last year's opening date. "This was the only advantage won by any of the three delegations which appeared before the sales committee yesterday."

South Carolina asked for an earlier date and Georgia for a later opening date. "Opening dates for other markets were announced as follows:

Georgia, August 1, one day earlier than last year.

South Carolina, August 7, two days earlier.

Middle belt, September 11, eleven days earlier.

Old belt, September 23, 10 days earlier.

Dark belt of Virginia, November 6, five days later.

Zander-Gump

One of the most interesting weddings to take place soon is the Widow Zander and the multimillionaire Mr. Zander, who will be united in wedlock at an early date. Both being of the comic section, there is no doubt of the sensational hit it will make here.

The wedding guests are now arriving and will be for the next ten days. It is with great pleasure we welcome Major Hoople, Justice of the Peace, who will perform the ceremony. It is understood that Major Hoople with a number of his friends will take a swim at Loch Lily in the evenings from 9:00 'til 10:00, egad.

The date of the wedding has not been announced. Miss Ella Childers will be glad to give the exact date to those who are interested after Friday as she is engaged at Station BBDA and cannot possibly get here before Saturday the 7th. Miss Childers, as all Radio Fans know, is a great Broadcaster and it is indeed a pleasure to have her in our city broadcasting the Zander-Gump wedding.

Watch The Courier next week for news about the wedding, the date, etc.

Services Leas Chapel And Warren's Grove

Our Revival Meeting begins at Leas Chapel next Sunday. Two services, dinner on the ground. We will welcome all old friends, acquaintances, and kin-folks. Rev. J. E. Blacklock of Parkton, N. C., will do the preaching during the week at three-thirty and five each day.

Regular services next Sunday at Warren's Grove at four P. M.

J. W. Bradley

Murphy Bull Fight Stopped

GOVERNOR WIRES WARNING

Murphy, July 3.—The bull fight which was to have been staged here July fourth under auspices of the American Legion, has been called off following receipt of a wire from Governor Angus W. McLean to the effect that such an exhibition is in violation of a State law.

Announcement that the bull fight has been called off was made by Mayor Cooper. "The American Legion has no desire to do anything that would bring discredit to our town," the Mayor explained.

Following the announcement some days ago that two bulls would stage a contest here July 4, several citizens protested and solicited the Governor's view on the matter. The matter was referred to the Attorney General.

Local officers were charged with the enforcement of that section of the Consolidated Statutes prohibiting bull fights in North Carolina.

The sections referred to are: 4483 and 4485.

Fire Destroys Six Airplanes

Washington, July 3.—Fire Monday destroyed the hangar and six airplanes at Hoover Field, Va., across the Potomac River from Washington. The planes were operated by Henry A. Berliner, who placed his loss at \$50,000.

Thanks To All

I am most deeply grateful to every voter last and man, who gave me their support in my way in the recent primary. The confidence that you have reposed in me is fully appreciated, and I hope, when the time arrives, to repay this debt of gratitude by rendering the very best service within my power. My sole aim shall be to uphold the majesty of the law and do that which will prove myself worthy of the trust that you have confided in my keeping, ever having in mind your high standard of conduct and the responsibility of my position.

This July 2nd, 1928.
Melvin T. Clayton.

I wish to say I can not find words to express my great pleasure for the way my friends stood by and supported my son in the last Primary Election. Your loyalty was superb, and I thank each one from the very depths of my heart. I am sure my son will never disappoint a single one of you, and that he will do his duty to you and your County faithfully.

Your friend,
John W. Clayton.

Notice

Privilege Tax Due July 1st, 1928.

All privilege tax on merchants and others in the Town of Roxboro were due and payable July 1st, 1928. On August 1st, 1928, a penalty of twenty percent will be added to those not paid. Pay your privilege tax now and avoid the penalty.

B. B. Mangum,
Tax Collector.

Off For Washington

Mess. Robert Phillips, Clayton Oarns, Lee King, William Harris and Johnny Shotwell are spending their vacation in Washington, Baltimore and Atlantic City. They are making the trip in their car, and will camp along the way, and expect to return to Roxboro about August 1st.

Visiting Washington, Niagara Falls, Etc.

Miss Elizabeth Morris left last Friday for a trip to Washington, D. C., where she will spend about a week, and from there she will visit the Northern cities, Niagara Falls, and other points in Canada.

Bob Steele ("The Fearless Cowboy") in "DRIFTING SANDS" at Palace Theatre, Saturday, July 7th, Matinee and Night.

ARREST DOCTOR AND WOMAN FOR ABORTION ON SCHOOL TEACHER

Dr. Mike Roberson, Durham And Mrs. E. E. Forsythe, Raleigh, Furnish Bond

DAVIS IS STATE'S WITNESS

Dr. Mike Roberson, Durham physician, and Mrs. E. E. Forsythe, Raleigh woman, were arrested yesterday afternoon in connection with the death of Miss Irma Louise Robertson, Raleigh school teacher, who died on June 19 as a result of an incomplete abortion alleged to have been performed by the Durham doctor.

The arrest of the two followed a statement made to Coroner L. M. Waring by M. H. Davis, Assistant State entomologist who was arrested in connection with the same case last week and released under a \$2,500 bond.

Dr. Roberson is charged with having performed the operation which resulted in the young woman's death. He was arrested early yesterday afternoon on a warrant taken out before a Durham magistrate and released under a \$4,000 bond for his appearance at a preliminary hearing in Durham recorder's court on July 10.

Mrs. Forsythe's bond was fixed by Magistrate E. Lloyd Tilley at \$2,500. She is to appear before him on July 6. Davis preliminary hearing also before Mr. Tilley will be at the same time. "The woman is charged with aiding and abetting in the abortion while Davis, an intimate friend of the dead girl, is charged with advising and procuring the operation."

Dr. Roberson has been charged with performing abortions on at least two other occasions. Recently there was a miscarriage on one of these counts in the Durham superior court. In another case Dr. Roberson and Mrs. Forsythe were indicted.

In addition to the charge of abortion that have been brought against him from time to time, Dr. Roberson was at one time fined on charges of violating the Harrison narcotic law. Dr. E. H. Bowditch, who was also charged with dispensing dope in violation of the law, signed Dr. Roberson's bond yesterday.

Dr. Roberson is the brother of Mrs. Robertson who several months ago shocked Durham County and the State by running amuck with an axe and killing his two children, his dog, his horse and then chopping his automobile to pieces. This Roberson was arrested and declared insane.

Mrs. Robertson, a Goldsboro woman who last year taught the second grade at the Boylan Heights School here is said to have undergone the operation in Durham around the first of June. On June 2 she was admitted to Rex Hospital where physicians found that she was suffering from blood poisoning, which had resulted from an incomplete abortion. On June 19 she died and the cause of her death certificate filed with W. T. Davis, city registrar of vital statistics.

The death certificate was brought to Coroner Waring's attention a week or ten days later. In the meantime, Mrs. T. W. Bickett, county welfare officer, and Solicitor Leon Brassfield had been working on the case and Davis was arrested on a warrant sworn out by Mrs. Bickett. His connection with the case was discovered through the fact that he had assumed responsibility for Miss Robertson's hospital expenses.

The coroner worked on the case through Davis and Davis attorney and finally secured from the young man information which led to the two arrests yesterday. Davis is expected to be the principal witness for the State in the prosecution of the doctor and the woman.

Dr. Roberson's bond was signed yesterday by Dr. E. H. Bowditch, of Durham. Mrs. Forsythe raised her bond with a mortgage on her farm. Davis' bond was signed by G. W. M. Fountain.

When she was arrested here late yesterday afternoon Mrs. Forsythe denied that she had had anything to do with the operation but admitted that she had spent a night at her home going from there to Rex Hospital.

The word cantaloupe is believed to have been derived from Cantalupa Castle in Italy, where the fruit was first cultivated in Europe.

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