NEW BERN, N. C., TUESDAY, JULY 11, 1914 - FIRST SECTION

Six Persons Killed In Midnight Crash Of **Near Norfolk**

Freight Train And Electric pitals in the city in ambulances an P Train Collide In Darkness.

Scores Were

Former New Bern Man Was Among Those Who Were Killed

sons are dead and thirty are in the hospital with broken limbs and bruised bodies as the result of a collision between an electric train its side was a straw hat. Inside the on the Virginia Passenger and Power Company's Ocean View Section and a coal train on the Virginian

The dead are: Mrs. Ernest Gross. Norfolk, Joseph Cooper; J. B. a: John Goodman; Unidentited man supposed to be Prof. Lee Hatch, a dancing master.

ed of seventy empty cars was for West Virginia. The Safees at the crossing were closed the electric car crashed through e and into the moving train, the front car of the electric train leaped into the air and turned over. the wreckage. People residing near the scene of the wreck used axes to cut away the broken timber beneath which men and women with broken limbs cried for help. All of those killed were in the front car. The motorman, Q. A. Atkinson each aped with a broken leg. Passengers on the front car declare the motorman. the scene of the wreck used axes

fore the collision. A passenger in a seat directly behind the motorman begged him to slacken his speed when the warning glare of red lights at the crossing ame visible some distance away. car sped on and the speed was reduced until the electric train ost upon the coal train. Reorts of prosecution for criminal rittes have not yet taken action. engers on the electric train every one of the passengers front car would have been ad not the coal train been at to a stand still Immediately

Mrs. Gross who died in the hoshad her four-year-old son in r lae when the collision occured out the child was unhurt.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT

NORFOLK, July 17 .- Six were killed and scores were injured when an electric train of two cars of the Virginia Passenger and Power Company en route from Ocean View to Norfolk, the collision. Railroad at Fairmont Part crossing a few minutes after midnight.

Ambulances from every local hospital were rushed to the scene of the in the rescue work. and the work of digging out injured was hurried under the direction of traction officials and Fire Chief Richard F. McLaughlin.

The Ocean View car and trailer were crowded when the train left the resort at 12 15, with motorman W. K. Atkinson at the controller.

tle the Virginian Railway, train left Sewell's Point at midnight, with 71 empty coal cars for Victoria. According to the trainmen H. L. Simmons, head breakman, opened the safety gates over the railroad tracks so as to permit the passage of the train and closed the gates against the street car. Flagman D. R. Pitchford was waiting to close the gates across the railroad track.

When The Grash Came

Then the crash came. The coa train was broken in two and the crowded Ocean View cars with their load of passengers dragged two of the big steal

gon lolas a car length along the track. The first car of the Ocean View train turned over on its side and was piled no

cars which carried them down town.

Women Cry For Help. Women's screams rose above the noise of shouted orders to the working crews of men and one woman re-Badly Hurt peated constantly, "Oh, my God! Oh my God!"

Motorman Atkinson was caught at his post, one of his legs badly crushed. A woman was pinned near him.

"Help the women first," he kept saving to the men who worked with crow-Norfolk, Va., July 17. Six per- bars and jacks to lift the weight from

Beneath one of the coal cars lay a white man's body, unrecognized. By band a label read, "218 Mount Vernon anveue, Port Norfolk."

Passengers Describe Crash. Passengers of the Ocean View train in their accounts of the collision all agreed on one thing-the apalling suddenness of the crash.

H. L. Baxter of Wallaceton, N. C. guest at the Fairfax hotel, was sit-Miss Annie Meehan of Norfolk ting on the front of the first trolley affect reaching the hospital. car, next to the motorman. Here is accident occured at 12:39 his story of the crash

"The Ocean View car had been making good time. I did not notice any oc train due to leave Ocean slackening in its speed before the lew at midnight was ten minutes collision. When I realized what had liste and was speeding at a rate of happened, the car was on its side and forty miles an hour. The coal train everything was in darkness. How I got out I don't know. I was huddled alongside the controller box and crawled out.

W. H. Vandergrift of Norfolk was on the front seat of the first car in the Ocean View train. When this car turned over he climbed over the roof car and many were buried beneath and escoped without serious hurts. His left wrist was sprained. He was with Joe Cooper, he said. He didn't know

man was warned of the danger besociation was in the second seat of and he was cut about the head.

Francis A Blount, colored, said he worked for a railroad company once, declared the Ocean View train was going 40 miles an hour.

R. E. Franklin, conductor of th wrecked resort train, had his leg

W. H. Loper, who was on the front seat had his hand crushed. He said the safety gates were down when the trolly crashed into the crossing. Miss Agnes Tobin, 219 Queen street, hand cut.

Miss Minnie Williamson of Columbia S. C., was badly bruised about the face and body.

Miss Hellen Tilley, 23 Maple avenue Berkley, bruised about the body. Arthur F. Hall of the U.S.S. Franklin

H. Crun had his right shoulder broken. D. C. Lyons had one of his legs smashed.

M. S. Summers, who lives on Third street, said he saw the coal train and the trolley cars. He saw a brakeman closing the safety gates, he said, and then

crashed into a coal train on the Virginian L. Y. Kirby and J. H. Kirby, brothers of Raleigh avenue were setting together in the first car. Both were unhurt and both immediately began helping

Mrs. H. P. Whitehurst left las evening for Mars Hill where she will spend rthe mainder of the summer She was accompainted by her husband as far as Goldsboro.

With Engineer J L Ivey at the throt- | IMPROVEMENTS AT WOOD-LANE DRUG COMPANY'S STORE

> A show window has been made each side of the door at Wood-Lane s drug store and yesterday these were handsomely decorated with high grade perfume and medicines. The display in these windows will be change every other day with different articl s Hunter White, special window design n for S. Copion and Son's department tore, will arrange the display.

BUCK RANGE CONTEST CLOS-ED LAST NIGHT

The Impior Buck Range conten that has been going on at J. S. Bas aight's Hardware atore since the eighth wil be conneed as soon as R A. Nunn. who has the key to the hox in will in votes have tolled dominated, recurCHIEF BRENNAN.

Stamford (Conn.) Police Of-



Photo by American Press Association.

Blango Goddett Charged With Robbing Camp

NEGRO BROUGHT TO NEW BERN AND PLACED IN JAIL.

Blango Godett, colored, was brought to New Bern by M. F. Russell from ... Havelock yesterday and in default of a two hundred and fifty dollar justified bond was placed in the county jail to await the September term of Craven ounty Superior Court.

Godett was charged with breaking in the logging camp of Allen Whittenton, about four miles from Havelock and stealing a considerable amount of the furniture from the sleeping quarters. Some of the goods were found on him when he was arrested. It is also alleged for that offense was not sufficient andhe was given a hearing before Justice of the Peace H. A Marshall yesterday mornprobable cause was found and he was placed under a two hundred and fifty do lar bond.

D. F. JARVIS GETTING ALONG VERY NICELY.

Reports yestreday afternoon from Morehead City are to the effect that D. F. Jarvis, who was taken suddenly with an attack of appendicitis Wednesday, is getting on nicely.

Mr. Jarvis was taken to Morehead on by Drs. R. S. Primrose and R. N Duffy. It is reported that the operation was a little difficult, but it was a very successful one and his rapid recovery is expected.

ANOTHER ZINGO PICTURE AT THE ATHENS TODAY.

The second installment of the tamour "Zingo" series of pictures is to be shown at he Athens theatre today. In this picture, which is in four reels, the spectator will see Zingo in the clouds There he pulls off a sensational fight which is said to be a real thriller.

MOTOR CAR TO MOREHEAD

Railway Company's motor car to Morehead City for the benefit of those New Bernians who desire to go down to the These fixtures, which will seashore to enjoy theorem breeze and pond with those now in thest participate in the dance to be held at the Atlantic Hotel. The fare for the and will be installed as soon as round trip will be only one dollar and dition is completed and in readings a cordial invitation to attend is extended to all.

RITES. LAST SAD

The funeral service over the remain of John B. Watson, Jr., who was killed in a wreck near Norfolk, Va., early Briday morning was conducted from Centenary Methodist shareh tast even-ing at 6 o'clock by Rev. W. A. Cade, junior pastor, and the interment wa made in Cedar Grove Cometery. Acting a null bearers A ... Hibbard, 1

So Think People of Gulf Cos Where They Were Seen.

THE MYSTERY IS CLEARING

If Rumors are True The Atlant Sensation Will So

BILOXI, Miss., July 17.—Mrs. Elois Nelms Dennis and Miss Beatrice Nelnis, the women for whom the police in six or more cities have made an exhaustive search, are on Petit Bois island, or in ome nearby gulf coast city, according to information brought to Biloxi to-

Mrs. Dennis and Miss Nelms were practically identified by a party of Biloxi fishermen who rerulated to Pe.it Bois island, but it is ported that the central figures in the mysterious case have departed for the coast and are in hiding in some coast hamlet

An effort was made today to organize posse to go to Petit Bois and arrest Mrs. Dennis and Miss Nelms,. Owing to absence of legal authority and due to the fact that waters in the gulf were running high in a squall, this procedure has been for the time abandoned.

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Petit Bois island is thirty miles from Biloxi, in the Gulf of Maxico. It is not Mississippi territory, but lies between Alabama and Missis ippi. Hence, police officers in the city leared to go to the island to make the arrests. Attorney General P. C. Lee of Jackson in the city searched less the former for was telegraphed late this afternoon for authority to make the arrests of the missing women.

Up to a late hour he had not been heard from and even if necessary papers are secured today, no attempt will be made to go to Petit Bois, as the seas are running high. Meanwhile, it is rumored in Biloxi that Mrs. Dennis and Miss Nelms have taken a boat from Petit Bois and escaped to Gulfport.

It was reported that they were seen at Gulfport. Sheriff J. C. Elmer received a telegram at Gulfport this afternoon to be on the lookout for the missing

He states he does not believe they have been there. Mrs. Dennis and Miss Nelms have been in Petit Bois for about ing in New Bern for several days and it was only on Thursday that they ten days, according to the report.

completely destroyed, but the evidence to the island and have remained with them since then, or until they left the island. When seen by Biloxi fishermen they engaged in conversation, which ing on the charge of house breaking and led the local men to believe they were larceny. After hearing the evidence the missing women. They were in high spirits and in the best of health, according to the report of the Biloxi men.

An effort was made here today by Ed. L. Suter, a Biloxi contractor, to organize a posse to go to Petit Bois, Mr. Suter made an effort to secure authority from the government cutter Winona, which is lying off the Biloxi coast for regatta races.

Mr. Suter stated tonight that he intended going to Petit Bois island tomorrow morning in case he succeeded City Thursday where he was operated in getting papers for their arrest. Mrs. Dennis and Miss Nelms with their two maie companions according to report, went to Petit island on the auxilliary power boat "Mizpah" from New Orleans. Coast vessels will be notified to be on the lookout for the Mizpah.

> WENT TO PURCHASE FIXTURES FOR ADDITION TO BIG DEPT. STORE

Charles Copion, of S. Copion and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lee Craig of has returned from a visit of several Gastonis, Miss Mildred Zaccinger of days in New York and Baltimore, New Orleans, La., Miss Lillian Watson where he went to purchase a stock of integer for the calling of the control of the control of the control of the control of the calling of the fixtures for the addition which is now controlled being made to this large empe

This store is already one of the beat The Riverside Hoe Company will in order it take care of their ever a tonight operate the Norfolk Southern creating patronage and it was found as Railway Company's motor car to Mark worth of new fixtures.

agrive in New Bern within a for occupancy.

THAW'S \$160,000 INCOME PAID TO

John B. Watson, Jr., Is Laid At Gov. Stone Announced Rest. Forward Money ent At Once.

K. Thaw's estate

att rney, former Go come W. A. So

RS. HELEN M. ANGLE

Declines to Participate In The Approaching Primary

Has Been

Former New Bernian

LIFE EARLY YESTER-

DAY MORNING.

Va., early yesterday morning in which

six persons lost their lives and a score

Later he became engaged in the dairy

business and a little more than a year

ago he purchased a steam laundry and

has been engaged in the operation of

this up until the time of his death,

Four years ago he married Miss

Addie Taylor, the attractive daughter

locksville and two children, a boy and

a girl, blessed the union. These child-

of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Taylor of Pol-

friends here.

a few days.

nal tomorrow morning.

Rev. H. H. Melvin of Ri

Numerous Friends Have Advised Him Not To Enter A Useless Contest

When the Third District Executive Committee met at Goldsboro July 8 Was killed in Wreck perween Hon. Charles R. Thomas of response, and I do not feel, in justice this city and George E, Hood of Golds to my friends and myself, that I can boro, setting the day on August 1, enter the second primary u JOHN. B WATSON LOST HIS and naming one thousand dollars as sules and such conditions, an entrance fee, the friends all over the the political machinery in the hands of Third District of Hon. Charles R. Thom- my political opponents. News of the accident near Norfolk, as advised him to withdraw, believnig that his political enemies who controlled the convention would freeze him out, as they did before.

or more injured, caused a pall of sadness to fall over New Bern, owing to the Mr. Thomas was at first undecid fact that one of the victims who was ed, However, he has been convinced killed almost instantly, was a former under the existing rules of the primary, New Bernian and had hundreds of that he would not be fairly treated even if he put up the enormous entrance fee This was John B. Watson, son of of one thousand dollars and went into Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Watson who rethe campaign and has decided to withside on Pollock street. Mr. Watson draw. In his formal announcement left New Bern about five years ago and of his action he sets forth the facts as went to Norfolk where he accepted a they really are. position in one of the leading hotels.

Mr. Thomas's Announcement.

To the Democratic voters of

Third Congressional District On June 26th, in an effort to obtain justice within the ranks of the Democratic Party, and to promote harmony and the interests of the Democratic party, the State Democratic Committee between George E. Hood and myself in said district, declaring that no valid nomination of a candidate for Congress had been made in the District.

eturned home, expecting a visit from held by ballot, under appropriate rules, of my friends throughout the the husband and their father within to be framed by the district committee. who are independent of the po A short time after the accident oc-On the 8th of July the district comcurred. Herbert Simpson, a Norfolk mittee met and framed the rules, over architect and a former New Bern an, my protest, which are so unfair that went to the scene and there identified upon my judgment and upon the unan-Mr. Watson's body. This he took in imous advice of my friends with whom charge and had it embalmed and it was I have been able to confer, I am combrought in from Norfolk at 4-20 o'clock pelled to withdraw from said primary as a candidate.

this morning.

The hour of the funeral, which will These rules require a deposit of One e conducted from Centenary Method Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) as an enist church tomorrow, has not been detrance fee, an excessive and unreasonfinitely decided upon at the present able amount, and the date of the pritime but will be stated in the the Jourmary is fixed for August 1st, which date, under existing conditions, does not give The deceased is a survived by his me sufficient opportunity to canvass wife and two children, his father and the district and properly inform the mother and three sisters, Misses Nancy voters as to conditions which have aand Edna Watton of New Bern and risen since the last preferential primary, Mrs. Jack Pearse of Pollocksville:

held May 16th. brothers, Dr. Walter, William, Guy and These rules also provide that mem-The following out of them relatives and friends have arrived in the city to attend the funeral M. J. Alphin of Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Alphin of Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taylor and Miss. Vera. and Benjamin Taylor of Pollockavile, A. S. Let of Croatan, Pollockavile, A. S. Let of Croatan, Present the pollockavile of the Congressional Democratic Committee of each county shall appoint the poll-holders, contrary to the customacy method of appointing by the county executive committees, or, if they fail to meet, by the chairmen. The returns are to be made to and the verter of the Congressional Democratic Committee of each county shall appoint the poll-holders, contrary to the customacy method of appointing by the county executive committees, or, if they fail to meet, by the chairmen. The returns are to be made to and the verter of the congressional Democratic Committee of each county shall appoint the poll-holders, contrary to the customacy method of appointing by the county executive committees, or, if they fail to meet, by the chairmen. again canvassed, by the district com-All contests shall be heard and decided by the congressional exshall be final." The members of the congressional executive committee are to distribute the tickets, &c., and the entire election machinery is placed in July 18th, 1914. MARRIAGE LICENSE ISSUED the hands of the committee, all of whom are hostile to me and my candidacy, at the with perhaps, one exception. The entire machinery and political power, under these rules, is put and kept in the hands

of an executive committee hostile to me the majority of whom were hostile to me in the last primary by the process of elimination of low candidates. Had the votes been counted in the last primary in accordance with the rules, I am satisof votes, and that I was nominated in Israel Blango. Under mich rules, and judging the

future from the past, I am of the opinion and my friends concur in that opinion, from a revolver was heart that if I enter the second primary and put up the money and pay the other to have a doep gash clause up the money and pay the other to have a doep gash clause. again, by some political scheme, or upon ie pretext or technicality, be deived of the nomination, even though I received the majority of the popular votes. The committee has constituted

ili, judge, jury and court of appears. Lappealed to them for a state for the

reasonable amount; also for the appointment of poll-holders in the usual way by the county committees or county chairmen; and I prepared and submitted to them rules which I consider fair and in the interest of fair play, justice and the Democratic party, which rules were Frozen Out ignored by them. These rules were similar to the Senatorial Primary rules. On July 14, I sent the following tele-

Mr. W. L. Hill, Chairman, Warsaw,

Unless your committee will change the rules and reduce the amount of deposit of \$1,000.00 required, to a reasonable amount. I will not enter the primary called for August 1st." This telegram has not met with a favorable

I fought to secure the first primary, and for fair rules in said primary . I and for fair rules in some preferential then fought out the first, or preferential primary, and when the comi fused to count the votes, or complete the count according to the rules of elimination, I made another fight for justice and a square deal in the convention, and before the State Committee. I won all these contests at great expense and physical strain, and I be-lieve that, after the State Committee acted, I would have been treated at last acted, I would have been triared at last with justice and fairness, but I am again confronted by the same unfail methods

and machine politics.

The attempt was made, at first, to run the "steam roller" over me, and the attempt is now made to "freeze me out" by rules which leave me so alternative except to withdraw.

If I were to put up the \$1000.00 and spend several thousand more, my friend believe that upon some posters, and the the same unfair methods, the name tion would again be taken away fr me. I am trying to use no harsh lasguage, and to make as conservative a atement as possible for the bea a machine exists is beyond o is against the interest of the L

In the long contest in the The District since fanuary 1st, the only victory it has achieved is apprently to crush and destroy me, and it may prove to be a victory which, in turn, will destroy the power of those men who constitute the machine. the machine. It is, undoubtedly, the strongest possible argument for the legalized primary in North Carolina, which hope will be come the law, and which believe is necessary for the safety and success of the Democratic party in the

I thank my friends for their loyal support, throughout the district, and the chief regret I have that a cannot finally win with the power of chine against me, is the disapointment to my friends. Personally, I had hoped to again serve the district and the State as heretofore in Congress. However, having had the honor, and retired from this contest with a clear conscience and in an honorable way, I do not feel, myself, so keen a disappointment, and I appreciate more than ever the loyal support of my friends throughout the

CHARLES R. THOMAS.

CUTTING AFFRAY.

James Moore Seriously Injured List Night

that those in the vicinit

It is supposed that Meore, attacked, shot as his assail man supposed to be Blanco. in multing his get-away.