

THE STEAMER HESPERIAN FOUNDERED WHILE ON WAY TO QUEENSTOWN

Thirty Five Hours After the Explosion She Went to The Bottom. Volunteer Rescue Crew Made A Fight To Save Ship, But To No Avail.

(By Associated Press.) LIVERPOOL, Sept. 6.—(3 P. M.)—The Allan line this afternoon received a report that several of the Hesperian's passengers were missing.

LONDON (Sept. 6)—A Reuter telegram from Amsterdam says a semi-official message from Berlin concerning the torpedoing of the Hesperian states that details must be awaited as to whether the vessel was torpedoed at all and if so, the circumstances which led to the torpedoing.

QUEENSTOWN, Sept. 6.—One of the first cabin passengers, six second cabin passengers and six third cabin passengers on the liner Hesperian are unaccounted for, according to a statement this afternoon by the Allan Line agent here.

A woman's body has been identified as that of Miss Carberry, probably of Newfoundland. LONDON, Sept. 6.—The Allan Line steamer Hesperian sank at 6:45 o'clock this morning within a few miles of Queenstown, after Captain Main and a volunteer rescue team of 35 men had made a brave fight to bring the crippled ship into port.

The sinking of the Hesperian in deep water probably will result in an investigation to determine whether the disaster resulted from a collision with a mine or from a torpedo, and crew assert positively that the vessel was struck by a torpedo, but thus far no statement has been obtained from any one who saw a submarine or a torpedo.

The American Embassy has received reports from Wesley Frost, American consul at Queenstown on the question whether warning was given to the liner's passengers so far seen by Mr. Frost said that no warning was given.

Capt. Main's statement probably will be taken today. The list of identified survivors still leaves many unaccounted for. The Allan Line is confident the final checking will show no loss of life except for the death of one or two persons after reaching Queenstown.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 6.—Word has been received here that the Hesperian was making her way back to Queenstown at 6:45 a. m.

QUEENSTOWN, Sept. 6.—Wireless reports received by the Allan Line state that Captain Main and the members of the crew of the Hesperian who remained aboard were taken off before the steamer foundered.

LONDON, Sept. 6.—A Chronicle dispatch from Queenstown says Miss Carberry, an elderly passenger on the Hesperian died from shock, after being rescued, and that another woman succumbed a short time after being taken aboard the rescue ship.

QUEENSTOWN, Sept. 6.—The Queenstown Agency of the Allan Line announced today that 45 first-class passengers on the Hesperian, 125 second-class passengers, and 10 third-class passengers had been accounted for and that it could not say at this time how many were missing.

EXPERT TO LOOK AT INVENTION

Whether the invention of William Dixon of Oriental, which he claims will put a stop to a torpedo after it has been fired at a ship, will prove to be a success, will be proven in a few days when official tests are made of it in New York off Oriental. Lieutenant Hollis Connor, U. S. N., and instructor-inspector of the North Carolina Naval Militia and inspector of the shells manufactured at Raleigh, will go to Oriental within a day or two to inspect Mr. Dixon's invention and to see actual tests made of it. The device is controlled by electricity and Mr. Dixon claims that, if given eight seconds warning after a torpedo is fired at a ship, he can prevent the missile from striking the target, causing it to explode harmlessly in the water several hundred feet from the target. He has spent some time working out the details of the contrivance and it is claimed that it has now been perfected.

URGES CRAVEN TO BUY MACHINERY

Believing that if Craven county is to spend a hundred thousand dollars in the building of good roads, that adequate road building machinery should be used in this work, a committee of leading citizens of the county met in New Bern yesterday and after discussing this important matter named J. L. Bland, township No. 1; F. S. Ernul, township No. 2; Tobe Moye, township No. 3; J. L. Taylor, township No. 5; H. A. Marshall, township No. 6; John McGowan, township No. 7; Jas. A. Bryan, township No. 8; E. W. Wadsworth, township No. 9 to go to Gardner's Roads in Pitt county on September 14th and make an investigation of road building machinery which is being used there. After looking this over the committee will report to the commissioners and some action will by them be taken in regard to securing such.

THE DOVER HIGH SCHOOL TO OPEN

Visitors in the city yesterday from Dover, stated that the high school at that place will be opened on September 13 with Prof. J. E. McLean in charge and that present indications are that the approaching term will be one of the most successful in the history of the school. Last year the attendance at the Dover school far surpassed that of any previous year and the interest manifested in the school work was also gratifying.

JEWISH NEW YEAR BEGINS WEDNESDAY

The Jewish New Year will be celebrated this week, beginning Wednesday evening at sunset and continuing until Thursday at the same hour. Appropriate services will be held in the various synagogues throughout the world. Sunday was given over to prayer and fasting throughout the world, following a proclamation from the great synagogues in New York. The New Year's celebration will be observed in New Bern.

FATALLY INJURED BY N. S. TRAIN

J. Henry Bissett of Zebulon is Run Over By Freight Car.

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 6.—Mr. J. Henry Bissett, of Zebulon, was perhaps fatally injured yesterday morning when a car that was being switched on the Norfolk Southern yards struck him and ground his leg from his body, just below the groin. The last report received from Rex Hospital, where the young man was taken immediately after the accident, received after midnight, said that he was in the same condition that he was when he was carried there. Dr. Rogers, the wounded man's physician, said last night that his death was only a matter of hours.

Word from the officials of the railroad says that the young man was engaged, along with the rest of the switching crew of which he was a member, in shunting passenger cars down a spur track. He was stationed to throw the switch from the main line track into the spur track. When the switch engine came down the main line and approached the switch with a Pullman car young Bissett failed to throw the switch into the spur track, apparent from absent-mindedness, and, thinking that the approaching car would take the spur anyhow, he stepped on to the main line track. It was too late to stop the oncoming car and before the unfortunate man could be warned, he was knocked down and ground by the wheels of the car. The young man has a father and another, both of them very feeble, living at Zebulon and they were communicated with right after the accident.

FIRST DEER OF THE SEASON HERE

The first deer seen here this season was exhibited yesterday. The animal, a fine doe, was killed Saturday near Havelock by Girard Mitchell of this city. There are a number of sportsmen in the vicinity of Havelock in search of game which is reported to be in abundance in that section, but Mr. Mitchell happened to be the one by whom the first honor of bagging one of the best footed tribe fell.

COMMISSIONERS TO INVESTIGATE ROAD MATERIAL

Won't Spend \$100,000 Just At The Present Time

NO ACTION TAKEN

Awarding of Contract For Court House Work Deferred

The Craven County Commissioners are going to do some investigating before they spend one hundred thousand dollars building any more good roads in this county, or in other words they are going to make sure that the material which is to be used in the construction of these thoroughfares can stand the test and that it will not be necessary to rebuild the roads every year or two.

At a meeting of the Board held a few weeks ago, it was decided to build twenty miles of roads out of Cape Fear gravel and Tarvia. At that time there was some opposition against taking snap judgment on the matter and going ahead with the work without any investigation.

Yesterday the question was discussed and the result was that all definite action was deferred until the next meeting and in the meantime an investigation of the material to be used is to be made.

Bids for the improvements and additions to the Craven Court House were also received yesterday and the contract was to have been awarded, but for various reasons definite action in this matter was also deferred until the next meeting. However, no additional bids will be received during the meantime.

SENATOR SIMMONS TO PHILADELPHIA

Goes To Accompany Mrs. Simmons Back Home

Senator F. M. Simmons left last night for Philadelphia to be with his wife who recently underwent a very serious operation in a hospital at that place, but she has been recovering very nicely and Senator Simmons stated last night that he expected to return to New Bern Thursday.

J. F. Taylor, of Washington, N. C., private secretary to the Senator, spent yesterday in New Bern conferring with Senator Simmons and getting matters straightened out before his departure.

While talking with a Journal reporter Mr. Taylor spoke of the possibilities of the tobacco market at Washington. Mr. Taylor stated that there was about three million pounds sold on the Washington market last year, but he is expecting that seven million pounds will be sold there this year. He is of the opinion that Washington and New Bern will be two of the leading tobacco towns in Eastern North Carolina before many years.

Rev. Father George Woods of Raleigh is in the city visiting his brother Father Charles Woods and will give the opening address at the closing of St. Pauls school.

WHITE SLAVE CASE IS TO BE AIRED

Tomorrow morning at Greenville before United States Commissioner L. T. King, F. A. Edmondson, a former banker of that city, will be given a preliminary hearing on a warrant charging him with taking Eulalia Dudley, of this city, out of the State for immoral purposes, Miss Dudley, who is a stenographer and who was at that time employed as a stenographer at Greenville, claims that Edmondson drugged her, placed her on a train and carried her to Norfolk. Enroute to the Virginia city she claims that he twice against her will committed criminal assault upon her and that he repeated this at a hotel in Norfolk. The case has attracted wide attention and the hearing will doubtless be attended by a large number of interested persons.

B. B. Wooten, of Fort Barwell, spent yesterday in the city.

Among the visitors in the city yesterday was Edgar S. Weaver a prominent citizen and merchant of Arapahoe, Pamlico county. Mr. Weaver brought up some glowing reports from that section, stating that business conditions were unusually good and that they were growing better each day.



GENERAL BLANQUET

Former War Minister for Huerta, he now declares the wily old Mexican should be kept in prison for the remainder of his life.

HEALTH EXPERT IS IN THE CITY

Dr. A. C. Bulla, who is connected with the State Board of Health, arrived in the city yesterday for the purpose of assisting in the campaign against typhoid fever which begins here next Monday.

Dr. Bulla will be assisted by Dr. Deans, also of the State Board of Health, and they will work in co-operation with Dr. J. F. Rhem, the local health officer.

REVIVAL AT SILVER CITY

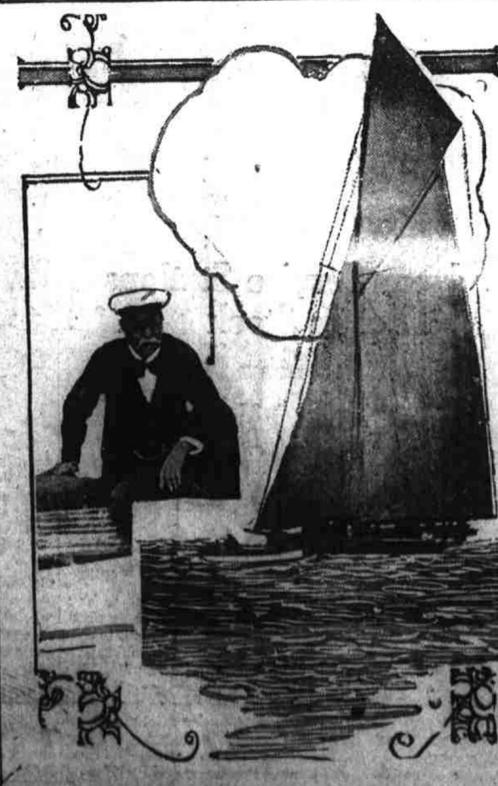
Silver City, Sept. 6.—The greatest revival in the history of this section is now in progress here, having begun August 19. The meeting will close next Wednesday night.

The revival is held under the auspices of all the churches of the town and is union in spirit as well as in name. A large tent seating 1,200 people is used, and this has been filled almost every night. The morning prayer and Bible study service has been attended by an average of 500 people, the stores closing for this service. The evangelist is Rev. J. W. Ham, of Atlanta, who is a man of wonderful dynamic force. Perhaps never before has such a spiritual awakening taken place in this section; already the conversions number 125 and the meeting has not nearly reached its climax.

Mr. Ham is accompanied by Professor Lyon, Mrs. Ham and Mrs. Lyon. Professor Lyon and Mrs. Ham have charge of the music, while Mrs. Lyon is an untiring Christian worker.

Mr. Ham will carry his tent to Hamlet September 20 and begin a three weeks' meeting. The invitation came from all the churches of the town.

Sir Thomas Lipton and Photo Of His Racer, Shamrock IV.



THE ALDERMEN WILL MEET TONIGHT

Important Session Is to Be Held—Probable Action

At the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen to be held tonight, it is probable that some steps will be taken by that body toward the selection of a site and arranging for the erection of an abattoir at which all of the cattle sold on the New Bern market will be slaughtered. This matter was discussed at the last regular meeting of the Board and a committee was appointed to make investigation and to report back to the next meeting. Much interest has been manifested in this proposed action on the part of the Aldermen and the citizens in general are heartily in favor of it. It is also probable that a milk and meat inspector will be appointed tonight.

JONES COUNTY MAN TO FEDERAL COURT

Kinston, Sept. 6.—Mr. George Tilghman, of Jones county, today was bound over to federal court at New Bern under \$200 bond on three count of violations of the internal revenue laws, after a preliminary hearing before U. S. Commissioner W. H. Sutton in this city. The charges are for distilling, retailing and removing whiskey without government stamps. The indictments grew out of the finding by revenue officers in the summer of a large still in the vicinity of Mr. Tilghman's home.

IMPROVEMENTS AT ATHENS THEATRE

The operating room at the Athens theatre is now one of the most modern to be found anywhere in North Carolina, in fact it is not probable that in the entire South there will be found one which can surpass it. During the past ten days, the managers of the theatre have had their room enlarged and made absolutely fireproof. In addition to this, new moving picture machines have been installed as also has much other modern equipment, usually found in such rooms.

SUBMARINE CREW DYNAMITED BRIDGE

Athens, Sept. 4.—Under cover of darkness, the crew of a British submarine daringly attacked the important Gebce Railway bridge, 26 miles southeast of Constantinople, and dynamited the middle span. The crew returned to the submarine undetected, but narrowly escaped capture by Turkish patrols.

D. W. Richardson, of Dover, returned home last night after a business visit to the city.

JUDGE W. M. BOND PRESIDING OVER SUPERIOR COURT

One Week Term Was Convened Here Yesterday Morning

HIS CHARGE ABLE

Grand Jurors Urged To Do Their Duty In Every Case

With Judge W. M. Bond, of Edenton, presiding, Craven county Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases only, was convened here yesterday for a term of one week. This is Judge Bond's first visit to New Bern in an official capacity and the lawyers and the public who are interested in court affairs, had looked forward with much anticipation to his charge to the Grand Jury and this proved to be a most interesting feature of the day's proceedings.

Demonstrating his thorough knowledge of laws, both past and present, Judge Bond went fully into a discussion on the same. He clearly defined each and every phase of law breaking, naming the punishment for the same, and concluded by urging the jury to do their duty in any and all cases brought before them. There were a number of trivial cases tried during the day and today the Court will get down to business in earnest and will doubtless make much progress in the clearing of the docket.

TAX ASSESSMENT HAS BEEN INCREASED

State Adds Five Per Cent to That Made By Local Assessor

Notice has been received in Craven county that the Corporation Commission has ordered a five per cent increase on the assessment of all of the property in the county. Craven is one of the eighty counties in the State whose assessments have been increased and the increase here is as low as any made by the commission. Three counties' assessments were increased as high as thirty per cent and others as high as twenty and twenty-five. The Commission was of the opinion that the assessments made locally were not as large as they should have been and hence the increase. The increase, it is said, will add to the tax books of the State more than thirty thousand dollars.

A CLASSY SHOW AT THE ATHENS

Girls Galore In Mirthful Musical Comedy There

Mirth and melody reign supreme at the Athens theatre this week where Weber and Fields big musical comedy company are holding forth. This company opened a week's engagement yesterday afternoon to a full house and they made good. Last night the attendance was more than double that of the afternoon and the S. R. O. sign was posted up. This is a musical comedy company in every sense of the word. The tabloid plays which they are presenting are interspersed with bright bits of music which cannot fail to make a hit.

MYSTERY SHROUDS THIS MURDER

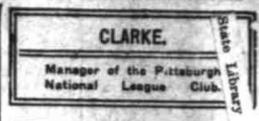
Durham Young Man Found Dead Last Sunday

Durham, Sept. 6.—Mystery surrounds the killing of Sylvester Goodwin, a young white man of this city, who was found early Sunday morning at the corner of the North Durham graded school lot, with a bullet wound in his chest. When called by Ed. Bumpass, colored, Goodwin was on the verge of breathing his last, and when the police and county coroner arrived he was found to be dead.

Goodwin had died without giving an inkling of the slayer, and the police are without clues in their effort to ferret out the crime.

Andrew Ray, a young friend of Goodwin's, was with him a few minutes before the fatal shot was fired, but states that he did not know anything about the shooting. He and Goodwin had been to a house of bad repute near the North Durham school and the dead man had left first. Ray states that he did not leave the house until after he had heard the shot fired.

A negro woman living across the street from the spot told the police that she had heard what she thought to be three men quarrelling. She did not know who they were nor where they had come from. The young man is well known in the city and has for some time held a responsible position with the American Tobacco Company.



CLARKE, Manager of the Pittsburgh National League Club.



KINSTONIANS ARE NOW SEEING THINGS

"Bright Star" Causes the Citizens There to Take Notice

Kinston, Sept. 6.—Twenty-five people stood on Queen street at 11 o'clock Sunday night and watched the queer antics of the brightest star, such if it was, in the heavens. The appearance of the luminous thing following the first of a series of showers about the time was unceasing. It was brighter than a star usually gets, far outshining any of its fellows. Frequently it grew very small, then slowly it returned to "full size," seemed to recede again, and occasionally, as if suspended by a string, swung like a clock pendulum. A oop solemnly declared the thing was moving.

"Cloud rifts" was the immediate conclusion of a man past the age of young men's follies. But the cloud rifts that he thought caused the phenomenon were as usual as the star, and the spectacle on the whole as erratic and out of the ordinary as anything ever seen by an amateur astronomer. Finally there was a unanimous vote, "Airship!" The watchers saw the "star" move from a point far down in the south to well over in the East, describing a parabola such as a phosphor-coated mortar shell.

Today came reports from Jones county that reliable citizens there had seen aircraft on two nights during the past week. Early in last week one man reported seeing an aeroplane or dirigible or something of the order, but the one man's statement was immediately discredited by his neighbors. However, late in the week William Coston and Alex. McDaniel, on a raft on the river at Pollockville, and Grover William and Jack Rhodes, on land, saw two aerial ships in full view, brightly lighted, headed east and west, in the sky over the town.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

T. J. Turner spent yesterday at Jacksonville, N. C., attending to business.

The stretch of the road may seem mean and prosaic, but we never know at what turn of this road there will break on us the gleaming towers of the City of God.—Hugh Black.