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COAL DRUMMER FOUND DEAD

Mysterious Tragedy Takes Place in Raleigh

Body of Well Known Richmond Traveling Man Found in Rock Quarry—He Had Been Robbed of Money, Watch and Diamond Ring—No Arrests as Yet, But Coroner Investigating.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 16.—Apparently impenetrable mystery surrounds the death of E. W. Smith, a coal drummer of Richmond, who was found dead here about 2 o'clock yesterday morning. Sometime Saturday night Smith met his death as he was last seen about 12 o'clock. His body was found in a rock quarry about forty feet from the surface of the ground. His neck was apparently broken and there are some bruises about the body. His coat and overcoat were found at the top of the pit, on the opposite side from where the body was found. Whether he fell into the pit and was killed by the fall or was murdered and thrown in is a puzzling question. Strength is lent to the murder theory from the fact that the dead man was robbed and he was known to have had sixty dollars. This is missing, as are also a diamond ring and a watch, which he wore. The coroner is still investigating the case and it is impossible to forecast his findings. The body will probably be sent home today for burial.

CARMACK DIDN'T FIRE.

Claims a Well Known Lawyer of Tennessee.

Memphis, Nov. 16.—Will A. Percy, a well known lawyer, makes the startling statement today that Senator Carmack never fired the pistol he carried on his death walk, and that young Cooper, who is alleged to have been shot by Carmack, was in fact wounded by the bullets from his father's revolver intended for Carmack. Percy says the son was behind Carmack and the father in front. Each was so near each other their victim was powdered burned by the father's shots. That the chambers of Carmack's pistol had been fired means nothing, says the lawyer, for the weapon was in the hands of his friends for two hours before it was turned over to officers and besides Carmack's hand still held the cigar he had been smoking. Services were held in honor of Carmack yesterday in many churches throughout the State.

THE NEXT HOUSE.

Republican Majority But Democrats Will Show a Gain.

Washington, Nov. 16.—A complete temporary roll call of the members of the new House of Representatives has been compiled and according to the list the next House will consist of 219 Republicans and 172 Democrats. The result is a net loss of four from the Republican side and a net gain of six on the Democratic side. The most marked advance made by the Democrats was in Indiana and by the Republicans in North Carolina.

PRIESTHOOD JUBILEE.

Seventy Thousand People Jam St. Peter's Church.

Rome, Nov. 16.—Seventy thousand people crowded St. Peter's today to celebrate the Priesthood Jubilee of the Pope. Many women fainted in the crush; several were injured and their gowns torn to shreds. It took an extra force of police to preserve order and a panic was narrowly averted several times. Two American priests were present in official capacities.

DEAD FROM GAS.

Tampering With Gas Meter Causes a Tragedy.

Wilmington, Del., Nov. 16.—The entire family of George Sprague—himself, wife and three children—were found overcome by gas this morning. Sprague is dead but the others are expected to recover. Sprague's body was found in a cellar. He had evidently been tampering with the gas meter.

Stocks Today.

New York, Nov. 16.—Heaviness prevailed in the stock market at the opening. Exceptional strength was shown by the traction stocks. Illinois Central was a strong feature, advancing two points. Reading moved 3/4 lower, but the market moved up.

The Cotton Market.

New York, Nov. 16.—Good business was done at the opening of the cotton market. Opening, December, 9.11; January, 8.98; March, 8.85; May, 8.84.

MEETING OF MAYORS.

Important Gathering at Charlotte Tomorrow—Mayor William E. Springer, Who Will Deliver an Address, Went There Today—Several Aldermen Have Also Gone.

The convention of mayors of North Carolina will commence in Charlotte tomorrow and it will be quite an important gathering. Wilmington will be well represented, as Mayor William E. Springer leaves this afternoon for the Queen City and Alderman W. A. French and Capt. Thos. D. Meares, clerk of the Board of Audit and Finance, left yesterday. Alderman S. J. Ellis also expects to go, and likely others. The meeting will be called to order tomorrow at noon and quite an elaborate program will be presented. Charlotte will, of course, entertain the prominent visitors in its usual regal style. The program for the convention, which includes an address by Mayor Springer, is as follows:

Tuesday, November 17th, 12 O'clock. Convention called to order by Mayor of Charlotte.

Invocation—Rev. Dr. H. H. Hulten. Address of Welcome—Hon. R. B. Glenn, Governor of North Carolina. Address of Welcome—D. A. Tompkins, Charlotte.

Response—Hon. M. F. Angel, Governor of South Carolina.

Response—A. H. Boyden, mayor of Salisbury.

Appointment of committee on permanent organization; car ride over the city.

Tuesday Afternoon, 3 O'clock.

Address—"Municipal Aid and Encouragement of Civic Improvement and Material Development," O. B. Eaton, mayor of Winston.

Address—"Best Form of Government for Small Towns," A. C. Avery, Jr., mayor of Morganton; F. L. Bundy, mayor of Laurinburg; Harry Wheelbell, mayor of Greenville; R. B. Caldwell, mayor of Chester, S. C.; H. K. Gilbert, mayor of Florence, S. C.; H. W. Foster, mayor of Greenville, S. C.

Address—"County Road Construction," D. P. Hutchison, Charlotte.

Address—"Town and City Pride," Paul Jones, mayor of Tarboro.

Address—"Best Charter for Governing of Growing Southern City," James I. Johnson, mayor of Raleigh.

Reception Southern Manufacturers' Club, 5:40 to 6:30.

Tuesday Evening, 8 O'clock.

Address—"Sanitation," Assistant Surgeon General J. W. Kerr, Washington, D. C.

Address—"Municipal Expenditures," George A. Hubbard, mayor of Boston, Mass.

Wednesday Morning, November 18th, 10 O'clock.

Report of committee on permanent organization.

Address—"Sanitary Conditions, Street Cleaning, Collection and Destruction of Garbage, Duties of Lot Owners, Personal Hygiene, Etc.," William E. Springer, mayor of Wilmington.

Address—"Constitutional Amendment Allowing Municipalities to Make Their Own Assessment," John A. McRae, city attorney, Charlotte.

Address—"Best Method of Building and Constructing Permanent Streets," W. S. Reamer, mayor of Columbia, S. C.

Automobile drive, exhibition by the fire department.

Wednesday Afternoon, 3 O'clock.

Address—"Municipal Ownership of Waterworks," R. M. Miller, water commissioner, Charlotte.

Address—"Centralization of Responsibility as the Best Form of Municipal Government," Joel H. Cutchin, mayor of Roanoke, Va.

Wednesday Evening, 8 O'clock.

Address—"Commission Form of Government," H. R. Rice, mayor of Houston, Texas.

Banquet at Selwyn Hotel.

Is Glad Her Son Wed Girl Blacksmith.

St. Louis Dis. to N. Y. World.

Miss Minnie Hageman, known as the Girl Blacksmith of St. Louis county, was married Sunday at Clayton to Alfred H. Smith, a wealthy young man, whose ancestral home is near the blacksmithy of Lawrence Hageman, the bride's father.

The couple have gone for a two weeks' tour of the Southwest, and when they return the mother of the bridegroom will give them a big reception. Mrs. Smith, Sr., is highly pleased with the choice made by her son.

"Yes," she said today, "I have met my new daughter-in-law. She is a thorough sportswoman; rides horses at breakneck speed, swings a hundred-pound hammer as though it were a basketball, and is every inch an American girl.

The bride is 17 years old. Her admiring mother-in-law neglected to say that she is a fine shot with almost any style of weapon and has an expert knowledge of the art of blacksmithing. The neighbors have become accustomed to see her at work in her father's shop, but have never ceased to marvel at the strength and skill she has shown in handling heavy hammers.

NEW BOOKS FOR THE LIBRARY

Many Additions Have Been Made

To the Number of Volumes in the Wilmington Public Library—A New Catalogue Shows That the Total Number of Books Now Owned by the Library is 2,051.

The Wilmington Public Library is now one of the most popular places of resort in the city and the institution is visited by scores of people glad to take advantage of its privileges. At the beginning of the fall it was decided to keep the library open for an hour in the evening. This has been found to be such a popular innovation it has been found necessary to open the time in the morning which the library is open during the morning and throughout the time these will be an attendant present to answer inquiries, and to furnish information of any kind whatsoever. Orders were recently placed for 108 new books, of which 93 are the latest productions in fiction. These books have already arrived and are now ready for distribution.

On account of the great increase in the books of the library it has been found necessary to make a new catalogue of the volumes. A careful count of the volumes now possessed by the library shows that there are now 2,051, and constant additions are being made to this number.

MEN'S MEETING

At the Young Men's Christian Association Yesterday Afternoon.

The meeting for men at the Young Men's Christian Association yesterday afternoon was one of the most successful yet held, and there was a large attendance of the men of the city. The speaker for the occasion was Rev. Thomas A. Smoot, pastor of Grace Methodist Church, and his address was both interesting and instructive. Several musical selections were rendered by the Grace Church quartet.

DEATH OF AN INFANT.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur R. Dasher Bereaved.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur R. Dasher will have the deep sympathy of their many friends in the city in the death of their infant daughter, Haldane Caroline. The infant was five months of age and had been ill for some time past. The grief-stricken young parents are bowed down with grief because of their inexpressible loss and they will have the sincerest sympathy of the community in their sorrow.

The funeral service over the remains of the infant will be held tomorrow morning from the family residence, No. 219 South Sixth street, conducted by Rev. K. D. Holmes, pastor of Fifth Street Methodist Church, and the interment will be made in Oakdale cemetery.

Pamphlet on Freight. Copies of a pamphlet "Why Freight is Lost or Damaged," by Mr. A. C. Kenly, of the Atlantic Coast Line, have been received here. The production is being issued by the General Managers' Association of the Southeast and is being highly complimented by railroad men.

Return From Convention.

A number of the teachers in the Wilmington public schools returned Saturday evening from Wilson, where they attended the State Primary Teachers' Association. Those from this city who were present at the convention report a most successful meeting.

Port Arrivals.

The British steamship Hillsbrook arrived in port this morning to receive a cargo of cotton at the Sprunt compress. The Hillsbrook is of 2,636 tons capacity and comes from Santos, Brazil. The steamer arrived at Southport Saturday, but was detained at the quarantine station for 24 hours.

Distinguished Visitor.

Dr. L. D. Lodge, president of the Limestone College, Gaffney, S. C., was a visitor in the city yesterday and part of today, being the guest of his brother-in-law, Herbert McClammy, Esq.

The Grain Market.

Chicago, Nov. 16.—Wheat was 1-4 and 3-8 higher at the opening. Opening, wheat, December, 103 1-2; corn, December, 63 3-8; oats, December, 48 7-8; pork, January, 15.90.

THE WORTH COMPANY.

Two Prominent Young Business Men Purchase an Interest in This Well Known Wholesale Concern—Firm of James I. Metts & Son Has Been Dissolved.

With today Messrs. Edwin A. Metts and D. D. Barber, two well known and splendid young business men of this city, became associated with the Worth Company, having purchased an interest in this extensive wholesale grocery business. The name of the company, which is one of the city's oldest and which has an enviable reputation, will remain the same, with Mr. B. G. Worth and Mr. C. W. Worth still in the firm, but Messrs. Metts and Barber will be found doing active work. Each of these gentlemen has had fine experience in the business and will give the company an impetus.

With purchasing an interest in the Worth Company, Mr. Edwin A. Metts withdraws from the brokerage business of James I. Metts & Son; of which he was the junior partner, and this business will now be conducted by his father, the name being James I. Metts Company.

MARRIED YESTERDAY

Miss Leona Alexander, the Bride of Mr. David Adrian Matthews.

Many friends in Wilmington and elsewhere, will be greatly interested in the announcement of the marriage yesterday of Mr. David Adrian Matthews and Miss Leona Alexander, two popular young people of this city. The ceremony occurred yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. H. King, No. 302 Bladen street, and there were in attendance a number of friends and relatives of the contracting couple. The officiating minister was Judge J. A. Erwin, pastor of the Christian church, and upon the conclusion of the ceremony, the bride and groom were heartily felicitated by all present. Mr. and Mrs. Matthews will make their home at No. 307 Brunswick street.

At the Bijou.

The feature film at the Bijou theatre today is called "A Daughter of Erin." This film reveals a pretty Irish story, which will appeal to everyone who sees it.

HON. E. D. SMITH HERE.

Distinguished Visitor Will Address Pythians Tonight.

Hon. E. D. Smith, Senator-elect of South Carolina and whose wonderful run before the people of his State is still fresh and glorious in memory, arrived in Wilmington this afternoon. He will be the special guest of honor tonight at the thirty-eighth anniversary celebration of Stonewall Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and for which observance an elaborate program has been mapped out. Mr. Smith is an ardent Pythian and a brilliant speaker. All Pythians are given a cordial invitation to be present tonight.

STONEWALL LODGE

Knights of Pythias Will Celebrate Anniversary This Evening. Stonewall Lodge, No. 1, Knights of Pythias, will celebrate the 38th anniversary this evening and a most pleasant occasion is anticipated. All Knights in the city have been invited to attend the event, as well as a number of representatives of other lodges in this vicinity.

The principal address of the evening will be delivered by Hon. E. D. Smith, Senator-elect from South Carolina. Mr. Smith arrived in the city today and he was entertained this afternoon by a committee of Pythians with an oyster roast at Wrightsville Sound.

AUCTION SALE OF LOTS.

Fifty-Six Will be Sold and One Given Away Saturday.

Preparations have been made for a big auction sale of fine residence lots of this city and the sale will take place at 1:30 o'clock the coming Saturday afternoon. The property is situated between Marsteller and Kidder and Fourteenth and Seventeenth streets and the sale will be made a decidedly interesting one, as it will take place directly on the scene, thus allowing a person to inspect the property beforehand and the terms have been made a exceedingly low nature—\$10 cash and the rest in weekly installments of \$1 per week. But further to make the sale an attractive one of the lots will be absolutely given away. The sale will be conducted by Mr. L. C. Powell, the well known land auctioneer.

DR. H. O. HYATT will be in Wilmington at his office over Murchison Bank Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 23rd, 24th and 25th for the purpose of treating diseases of the eye and fitting glasses. Dr. Hyatt is always in Kingston Thursday, Friday and Saturday. no 9 6t mo we fri

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