

COAST LINE TRAIN HELD-UP BY ROBBERS THIS MORNING

Daring Act Brought to Successful Issue in South Carolina and Looters Escape

Passenger Train No. 80, Bound North From Florida, Was Robbed by Men Who Had Boarded Train as Passengers—Number of Registered Sacks Stolen—Train Was Moving in Two Sections and Express Car, Thought to Have Been the Particular Object, Was on the Second Section and Escaped—Posse in Pursuit.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 12.—Atlantic Coast Line passenger train No. 80, from Florida to New York, was held up by robbers shortly after midnight at Hardeeville, South Carolina. A posse left for the scene early this morning.

Atlantic Coast Line train No. 80 left Savannah for New York at 12:45 o'clock this morning and was stopped by robbers near Hardeeville, S. C., just before day-break. Several sacks

of registered mail were taken. The train was running in two sections and the express cars, at which, it is believed, the robbers aimed, were carried on the second section and escaped attack. Night Telegrapher McRoy, at Hardeeville, cleared the train from that station. Soon after it got away, but before it had gone out of sight, it stopped. A few minutes later the second section arrived from Savannah. The crew ran ahead to find out what had happened to the first section, but the robbers had escaped. The hold-up men were passengers on the train. They forced the engineer to stop. Covering the flagman and conductor with revolvers, they made the flagman open the mail car, after it was detached and ran forward some distance. Here two mail clerks were made to give up then disappeared. A posse was sent from here to take the robbers' trail.

CITED TO APPEAR BEFORE COMMISSION

Washington, Dec. 12.—On the ground that the Durham and Southern Railroad, owned by B. N. and J. B. Duke, of the American Tobacco Co., receives for a twenty mile haul, forty per cent. of the Seaboard Air Line's division on through freight business, the latter railroad will be cited before the Interstate Commerce Commission to show cause why its rates into and out of Durham, N. C., should not be reduced. The Norfolk and Western Railroad also will be cited to show why its rates on coal into Durham should not be lowered. The Norfolk and Western, it is charged, allows 62 cents a ton to the Durham and South Carolina Railroad, a lumber road, for a haul of one mile, while it receives only 77 cents a ton for a haul of 116 miles. The commission charges that the Seaboard Air Line "bought" the tobacco company's business by allowing its traffic to be taken away from it at one point by a road under management allied with the tobacco concern.

ARIZONA PASSING INTO STATE SOVEREIGNTY

Phoenix, Ari., Dec. 12.—Arizona has assumed full sovereignty of State by electing its own Governor and acquiring for the first time two United States Senators and one Congressman. Interest in the election centers in the vigorous contest between the Republicans and Democrats for control of the new State by the election of a Governor and Congressional delegation. The Democrats hope to elect Mark Smith and Henry Ashurst as Senators. The Republicans declare Ralph Cameron, the Republican delegate in Congress, is practically sure of winning one seat.



Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Princess Patricia, daughter of the Duke of Connaught, the new governor general of Canada, has arrived, and the social season will open at once. "Princess Pat," as she is known, is expected to add much to the gaiety of the season here. She remained in Europe visiting relatives after her parents sailed for their new home.

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CHICAGO LANDS REP. NATIONAL CONVENTION

Washington, Dec. 12.—The Republican National Committee, in quadrennial session today, ratified the program arranged in advance for its deliberations. The National convention, to nominate candidates for President and Vice President, will be held in Chicago, beginning Tuesday, June 18. The vote for Chicago was overwhelming, the ballots showing: Chicago, 42; Denver, 7; St. Louis, 1; absent, 3. St. Louis formerly withdrew from the contest.

The form of the call for delegates to the National convention, including disposition of the troublesome presidential preference primary question, was still in the hands of a special subcommittee when the National Committee recessed until 2 p. m.

NAT. ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE NOW IN SESSION

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—Seven hundred delegates and employes, representing the Anti-Saloon Leagues of every State in the Union, are here attending the biennial convention of the Anti-Saloon League of America. An address by Representative Hobson, of Alabama, this evening will be the feature of today's session. A conference on Inter-State liquor traffic, with special representatives named by Governors of thirty States participating, will be held Thursday and Friday.

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Storm Warning. Washington, D. C., Dec. 12, 1911. Northeast storm warnings ordered 3 p. m. from Jacksonville to Punta Rasa, Storm center at 1 p. m. apparently near northeast Cuban coast moving northwest. Increasing northeast winds indicated for eastern and southern Florida coasts tonight and Wednesday.

JUROR WALDRON IS STILL MISSING

Kansas City, Dec. 12.—Harry W. Waldron, who disappeared while on the jury trying Dr. Hyde, on a charge of murdering Colonel Swope, has not yet been found. Judge Porterfield says that unless Waldron appears tonight the jury will be discharged.

FOR FREE TRANSIT Of American Ships Through the Panama Canal.

Washington, Dec. 12.—A bill providing for free transit of American vessels through the Panama Canal has been introduced by Senator Lodge. The measure would have the charges against American ships paid out of the National Treasury.

Christmas Trees, Christmas Trees, Christmas Trees.—A fine lot will be here on next week's steamer, Monday, Dec. 18th. Kindly send or phone your orders. C. B. Bellows, Produce Dealer, 16 North 2nd St. Phone 1576. de 11 6t

Edison—Kalem—Selig. Biggest Film Successes of Three Big Companies, Grand Today.

Harry Morgan Sings "Fairy Moon" At the Delightful Grand Today.



Delhi, Dec. 12.—Half a hundred members of the British nobility are here to add to the gaiety of the durbars. About one-third of the more noted came with King George and Queen Mary on board the Medina, while the others came in another ship that accompanied the royal party. Prominent among the titled personages are the Duchess of Devonshire, the Countess of Shaftesbury and the Hon. Miss Baring. This picture of them was made aboard the Medina by Ernest Brooks, the official photographer. He also made the picture of the four battleships which acted as escort to the king and queen on the long voyage, the picture being made from the Medina.

BRILLIANT SCENE

Marks Proclaiming of King and Queen as Emperor and Empress of India—For Richness of Color and Magnificence of Decoration the Occasion Has Likely Never Been Surpassed.

Delhi, India, Dec. 12.—King George V. and his consort, Queen Mary, were today proclaimed Emperor and Empress of India. The English monarch's accession to the throne of his vast Indian dominions took place amid a scene which for richness of color and magnificence of decorations probably has never been surpassed. The huge amphitheatre erected in the Dumburk camp was thronged. Sparkling gems of many Indian princes and the smart uniforms of the soldiery contrasted strongly with the white dresses of the European ladies and the sober garb of civilian officials. The booming of the Imperial salute announced the approach of the Emperor and Empress. The Emperor wore a robe of Imperial purple, a surcoat of purple and white satin breeches and silk stockings. Her Majesty's Imperial robe was purple velvet, trimmed with ermine and with a border of gold braid. Standing in the great central tent, their Majesties received the homage of Governors, ruling Princes and other representatives of British India.

JUDGE WARD TO RETIRE FROM BENCH

Special to The Dispatch. Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 12.—The first intimation Judge Ward was to resign was contained in the newspapers, and Governor Kitchin was as much surprised as anybody. No application has yet been made for the position, though the Elizabeth City bar has endorsed W. C. Redman, of Washington. The Governor today received a letter from Judge Ward asking that another judge be assigned to hold a special term of civil court in Perquimans county January 1st. Judge Ferguson was named.

STILL ON GRILL

Lillian Graham Made to Tell Where She Purchased the Gun—Had Bottle of Whiskey in Her Room—Appears Defiant in Face of Raking Cross Fire Today.

New York, Dec. 12.—Lillian Graham and Ethel Conrad, on trial for shooting W. E. D. Stokes, sat side by side when court was resumed today. When the case was called, the Graham girl raised her veil, and took the stand, Prosecutor Buckner, continuing his cross-examination, asked about a visit the girls made May 31st, eight days before the shooting, to a department store, where they bought the revolver, with which they shot Stokes. She said they had no intention of buying guns when they started. "Did you hear Miss Conrad say she wanted something small that would shoot straight?" "No sir." "When did you first decide to buy the guns?" "We were walking around the sporting goods department and saw some pistols and decided to buy them." She denied the insinuations that she and her friend ever planned over the telephone how they could lure Stokes within reach. When Stokes called up their apartments the day before the shooting and asked for Miss Conrad, the witness said, she answered the telephone, but told him she was the French maid, Lillian Graham sat erect firing back answers at the prosecutor with a spirit she had not shown since the trial began. The prosecutor surprised the court by producing a pint bottle, one-third full of whiskey. He asked the witness if it was the bottle she sent out to be filled June 1st, the day of the shooting. She admitted she had a bottle of whiskey in the house, but denied she had it refilled that day. "That may be the bottle," she said. "I don't know." Coming down to the night Stokes was shot, she said he thought she had gone to Europe and was surprised to see her. She admitted she was angry with him for what he told Miss Conrad about her and her sister. The witness rehearsed the story of how Stokes throttled her and pushed her down the hall, into her bedroom, and against the bureau and how she reached into the open drawer, behind her, and got the revolver with which she shot him.

ONLY GHASTLY FINDS REWARD THE RESCUERS

Briceville, Tenn., Dec. 21.—Spurred by last night's discovery of three survivors of Saturday's dust blast in Cross Mountain coal mine, fresh rescue squads went into the cross entries this morning, digging with redoubled energy. Their only reward was finding a corpse-strewn chamber far back in the mine. Six bodies were recovered. Two were identified. One was Joseph McQueen, a widower, and the other was Tate Wallace, who had a wife and four children.

GOING SOME

That is the status of The Dispatch. Not only going, but almost three hundred (300) extra copies of The Dispatch were "gone" yesterday. That number was sold on the streets by newsboys yesterday afternoon, in addition to the regular city subscription list and out-of-the-city subscribers.

MR. ADVERTISER Doesn't that suggest something as how to get Christmas Trade?

TAR HEEL FOOTBALL CAPTAIN'S SUPREME NERVE

Special to The Dispatch. Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 12.—That R. W. Winston, Jr., captain of the University of North Carolina football team, not only was ill with appendicitis before the game and knew it, but that his appendix broke in the scrimmage at Richmond with Virginia Thanksgiving day, is the statement by attending physicians at the hospital here. His supreme nerve has snever been surpassed. He is recovering nicely from the operation.

FEDERAL GRAND JURY IS STILL PROBING

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 12.—The grand jury has resumed investigation into the alleged conspiracies in connection with the numerous dynamite explosions in various parts of the country in the past three years. The investigation's scope, it is said, will not extend east of Salt Lake City, and will be confined largely to California. One hundred and thirty-three witnesses have been summoned.

NO MORE FIGHT

For Champion Jack Johnson, Who Now Weighs 300 Pounds.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Jack Johnson, champion heavy weight pugilist of the world, weighs nearly three hundred pounds, and will never again enter the ring in a contest to retain the title, according to information received at his home here. Johnson is on the ocean returning to Chicago with his wife, who is seriously ill. Before sailing from Liverpool yesterday, he announced that he was through with the arena and would enter business in Chicago.

WEST INDIAN STORM APPROACHING FLORIDA

Washington, Dec. 12.—The West Indian storm was located by Weather Bureau, at 1 o'clock this afternoon, central, northeast of Cuba. It was moving northeastward and may reach the Florida coast late tonight. Storm warnings were immediately ordered displayed on the east and south Florida coasts.

HOUSE COMMITTEE FAVORS QUICK ABROGATION

Washington, Dec. 12.—The House Foreign Affairs Committee has unanimously agreed upon the Sulzer resolution directing the immediate abrogation of the 1832 treaty between the United States and Russia, because of discrimination by Russia against American Jewish citizens in recognition of passports. The committee will urge Congress to take quick action on the resolution.

WILL PUT IN SIDE TRACKS

Coast Line Granted Permission for This City

Special to The Dispatch. Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 12, 1911. The corporation commission has given the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad permission to place two sidings on streets in Wilmington—one for the Carolina Metal Products Company, of which B. G. Emple is president, and the other for Mr. Emple individually. The permission of the commission was given on the understanding that the railroad would first get authority from the Wilmington city government before placing the sidings.

Dr. James F. Royster, professor of English in the University of North Carolina, today brought his class in "Journalism" to Raleigh to see the offices here in the rush hours. The university has started a number of young men in the newspaper field in the past ten years, and there is scarcely a city of consequence in the state that has not one or more university boys doing good work.

Raleigh people are enthusiastic over the prospects of entering the Carolina Baseball Association, and are especially glad that Wilmington is also to enter. The matter will be determined finally next Friday night, when the directors meet in Charlotte.

Mrs. Jacob S. Allen, relict of the late Jacob S. Allen, died at the home of her son, Mr. John G. Allen, No. 7 North Bloodworth street Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. She had been a patient sufferer for some months from a complication of diseases and the end was not wholly unexpected.

Mrs. Allen was a native of this city, being a daughter of Thomas M. and Elizabeth (Miller) German, both old residents of Raleigh. She was a city, being a daughter of Thomas M. sister of Mrs. John Nichols, who survives her and the late General John C. Gorman. She was married in 1864 to Jacob S. Allen, long a prominent builder and contractor of this city and beyond some years spent in other cities where her husband was engaged in large contracts she resided her long life here. The funeral was held this afternoon.

Fire in Newsstand. M. Fromme, a newsstand keeper, was almost blown through the door of his place on West Martin street when gas exploded and caught fire, causing a damage of about \$1,300. Mr. Fromme had just entered his stand and was attempting to light the gas when there was an explosion. He says he was blown from a chair on which he was standing. Simultaneously a lot of firecrackers and roman candles went off, making a big noise and great illumination. The stand was insured for \$800.

INFANT MORTALITY

Infant mortality for the cities and towns in North Carolina has just been made public by the census bureau, in Washington. It shows that Raleigh has a low death rate among infants, though not as low as Asheville, which leads all other cities in this respect. The figures are unusually interesting here because of the high death rate among adults caused by deaths at the state hospital, the penitentiary and the soldiers' home—all of which are charged up to this city. Raleigh gets credit for an electrocution, for example, and when an old soldier dies this city gets credit for this death also, making a comparison unfavorable and unjust to the capital city.

The figures as given out in Washington show that the rate of deaths of infants under one year to the total number of deaths in municipalities of North Carolina, having a population of more than one hundred, twenty; deaths of infants under five years in ratio total thirty-two in one hundred. That is, the state having effective birth and death registrations laws, the ratio is nineteen in one hundred, and twenty-seven in one hundred, respectively for children under one, and children under five years. The statistics are regarded as especially valuable because they show the importance of sanitary measures for the protection of infants.

In North Carolina, Asheville reported 14 per cent. of its deaths as being among children under 1 year, and 21 per cent. among children under 5 years; Charlotte, 15 and 29 percent, respectively; Durham, 20 and 35; Greensboro, 21 and 30; Raleigh, 18 and 28; Wilmington, 24 and 34; and Winston, 21 and 34.

TO OPEN TRAM ROAD

To build, equip and operate tram roads from the wharf landing on Baird's Creek to Arapahoe and through Bucklin Swamp, or down the point road

WARSAW HAS TRAIN TODAY

Good Roads Being Boom-ed Up the Line

Atlantic Coast Line's Good Roads Train Gets Rousing Reception All Up the Line—Big Banquet at Warsaw Last Night, Followed by Lecture and Exhibits Today.

Special to The Dispatch. Warsaw, N. C., Dec. 12.—The Atlantic Coast Line road improvement train arrived about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon and was met at the station by the mayor and a large number of representative business men from the town of Clinton and Sampson county. More than three hundred people were present to welcome the train and the Atlantic Coast Line and Government representatives. After meeting the citizens, who had gathered, the visitors were invited to be present later at a banquet, which had been arranged at the Montague Hotel. At the Montague one hundred plates were arranged, and at 9 o'clock the guests were all invited into the banquet hall, where good cheer and enthusiasm ran high for the balance of the evening.

Among the guests were citizens from all over the county and the representative business men of Clinton. Mr. Geo. L. Peterson, a prominent merchant of Clinton, presided as toast master and introduced the several speakers of the evening. Every incorporated town and every township in the county was represented and at least one representative of each was called on for a speech. Mr. L. E. Boykin, United States Good Road Expert, and Mr. M. L. Stover, trainmaster on the Wilmington and Weldon division of the Coast Line, were also called on for a speech. About thirty speeches were made, touching every phase of the road question and the possibilities and prosperity of Sampson county. There probably has not been a more enthusiastic gathering in Eastern North Carolina for many years than those assembled around the banquet table last night. It shows that every one is alive to the interests of the county and that the spirit of co-operation is strong, which argues well for the future of Sampson county. This morning at 9:30 the exhibit car of the road improvement train was opened and about five hundred people passed through and viewed the Government exhibits. At 10 a.m. an illustrated lecture was given at the opera house and at least five hundred people were present at this lecture given by the Government experts, illustrating different phases of the road subject. After the lecture the exhibit car was again opened and about 200 more people passed through and viewed the exhibits. The lectures and exhibits were attended by at least seven hundred people, all representative citizens of the county. In every way the visit of the road improvement train to Sampson county was a big success and much good should result.

Relieve For Gouge. A. M. Gouge, the Mitchell county tax collector who was sentenced to twenty months on the roads for obliterating the records of his books and whose appeal the Supreme Court denied November 29, has been granted a reprieve by Governor Kitchin until January 15th in order that his attorneys may bring forth their "meritorious grounds" for an application for pardon. Gouge was convicted in April, 1911. Governor Kitchin in his reasons for the reprieve says:

"Reputable attorneys representing this defendant, having assured me that they have meritorious grounds for an application for pardon, which they cannot prepare and present before the sentence begins, I hereby reprieve defendant until January 15, 1912, on condition that he remain under same bond that he is now under."