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BAD WORK OF MAD DOG

HE BITES WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN OF MR. CHARLEY LEE.

He Attacked Child and Mrs. Lee Went to Her Assistance With Baby in Her Arms. The Dog Then Caught Hold of Baby and Had to Be Prized Away.

Last week a dog belonging to Mr. Joe Parker, of Four Oaks, went mad and did considerable damage before he could be subdued. He bit several hogs and a cow, worth seventy-five dollars, belonging to Mr. Charley Wellons, all of which have since died.

The dog went to the home of Mr. Charley Lee, a mail carrier, and attacked a little girl by getting hold of the calf of one of her legs. He held on and tried to tear her flesh all he could. Mrs. Lee, with baby in her arms, ran to the dog to beat him away from her daughter. He then turned loose the girl and caught the baby by one of its feet. Mrs. Lee and another woman tried to get the dog away from the baby, but it seemed they were about to fail. Finally one of them took the dog's tongue and twisted it while the other prized open his mouth from the foot of the child. Mrs. Lee is now in Raleigh with the two children for treatment.

PARISIAN JOURNALIST BEATS PHINEAS FOGG.

Paris, Aug. 26.—Andre Jaeger-Schmidt, the Parisian journalist, drove an automobile to The Daily Excelsior office at 9:02 a. m., officially completing his circuit of the world in 39 days, 19 hours, 43 minutes and 37 4-5 seconds.

Jaeger-Schmidt started from Paris at 1:45 p. m., July 17, to beat the 63 day record of M. Stiegler of the Paris Matin. Jaeger-Schmidt could have arrived at his goal in Paris two hours earlier if he had not stayed at Cherbourg after midnight for a supper given in his honor by a number of journalists.

MORE COSTLY TO KEEP SWEET.

Price of Sugar Soaring Again and Grocers Tear Their Hair and Gasp.

New York, Aug. 30.—Grocery circles here showed concern today over the high prices now prevailing in the sugar market. There was another advance in granulated during the day to 6.25 cents, representing a full cent rise in the last few weeks and the highest level in many years. Coming at the height of the canning season, this advance is of vital interest to consumers all over the country. It is attributed primarily to a poor sugar beet crop in Europe, following prolonged drouth this summer. To make matters worse, the Cuban crop, which furnishes the bulk of raw material for American refiners, also proved short, and prices began to soar.

Far-sighted dealers bought large supplies some months ago, leaving the market almost bare of stock, and raw sugars in consequence have made new high records, while many operators in the street predict that the end is not yet in sight.

Two Young Men Rob Store.

Two young men were before Justice M. G. Gulley, at Clayton last Monday for robbing a store Saturday night near Liberty Cotton Mill. The store was run by Pinkney Glover. The entrance was made about midnight. The young men raised a window and pulled apart the iron bars which were placed in front of the windows for fenders. One of them went in between the bars which they had bent apart. It is said they helped themselves freely to soft drinks and cigars. The arrests were made Sunday afternoon. Clair Ferrell and Jim Hill were the two young men. Each gave a hundred dollar bond for appearance here at September court.

Another report says these young men were drunk and went to the store hoping to find more intoxicants and probably knew but little of what they were doing.

German scientists, who are excavating in Babylon, believe that they have discovered the ruins of the Tower of Babel.

GOVERNMENT WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT.

Washington, Aug. 29.—In the Eastern States of the cotton belt the weather during the week ending yesterday was mostly favorable although the rainfall was generally light and it was still dry in some sections, according to the National Weekly Weather Bulletin, issued to-day. The weather continued partly cloudy, with frequent showers in Louisiana, Arkansas and Mississippi. Dry weather prevailed in Texas and Oklahoma the first of the week while good showers and cooler weather came the latter part over most of these states.

Conditions by States follow:

Virginia—Precipitation about normal in north and above normal in all other sections, except extreme southeastern. Sunshine above average.

North Carolina—Scattered showers, some good local rains in southern and central portions. The temperature above normal. Sunshine above normal.

South Carolina—Temperature and precipitation about normal, most of rainfall occurring at close of week, accompanied by gales on coast. Sunshine about normal.

Happenings at "Wildwood."

Wildwood (near Clayton), Aug. 30.—Misses Julia and Lovie Austin have been entertaining a party of friends at "Wildwood," their lovely country home, near Clayton, during the past week. The guests of honor being Misses Virginia Kendall, of Goldsboro; Allie Bailey, of Kenly; Mabel Brannam, of Clayton; and Messrs. Hugh Page and Elmo Gattis, of Clayton and Dr. Floyd G. Gower, of Gowersville.

The week has been very pleasantly spent in picnics, parties, hay rides and fishing excursions.

On Monday evening a large party of friends were delightfully entertained by the hostess. Games and conventional discourses were enjoyed by all present.

At 11 o'clock the guests were invited into the dining hall, where a most delicious four-course luncheon was served on tables decorated only as the delicate, artistic hand of woman can do such things.

The following-named young people, in couples, were in attendance: Miss Virginia Kendall with Mr. Elmo Gattis, Miss Allie Bailey with Dr. F. G. Gower, Miss Mildred Barbour with Mr. Hugh Page, Miss Gladys Barbour and Mr. Saxe Barnes, Miss Lillian Baucom and Mr. Jesse Austin, Miss Mabel Brannam with Mr. Guy Penny, Miss Elsie Penny and Mr. Roy Baucom, Miss Carmen Gattis and Dr. J. H. Austin, Miss Meta Baucom with Mr. Parker Rand, Miss Julia Austin with Mr. Devan Barbour, Miss Lovie Austin with Mr. Ronnie Ellis.

Most exquisite music, vocal and instrumental, was rendered during the evening, and all who were present on that glad, delightful occasion are yet fond in their praises of their hostesses, Misses Austin.—News and Observer.

PRESIDENT WILL VISIT 24 STATES ON NEXT TOUR.

Beverly, Mass., Aug. 28.—Twenty-four of the United States will be visited by President Taft on the swing around the circle, according to a partially completed schedule announced to-day. The President will start on September 15, and with the exception of five States and Arizona and New Mexico, he will pass through every Commonwealth west of the Mississippi. Included in the 24 are Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Maryland.

Among the big towns and cities the President will visit are Syracuse, Erie, Detroit, Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha, Kansas, Denver, Cheyenne, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, Seattle, Spokane, Wallace, Idaho; Butte and Billings, Mont.; Deadwood, Aberdeen and Pierre, S. D.; St. Paul and Minneapolis, Milwaukee and Pittsburg.

The Charlotte Observer says that prohibition prohibits just like a sifter holds sand. And the police court demonstrates that regulation regulates just like a sieve holds water.—Richmond Virginian.

HARRY ATWOOD HOLDS RECORD.

His Flight From St. Louis to New York the Longest Distance Ever Traveled by Man in Heavier-than-air Machine.

New York, August 25.—Sailing serenely over New York's myriad water craft, its ferryboats and ocean liners, Harry N. Atwood, the Boston aviator, arrived in New York in his aeroplane to-day, the first man in history to travel as far as from St. Louis to New York by way of Chicago, in a heavier-than-air machine.

Atwood's safe landing on Governor's Island, after flying from Nyack, N. Y., above the Hudson River, through a fog which made him dimly visible to the million eyes that watched him, was a notable incident in the annals of aeronautics. He not only broke the world's record, covering 1,265 miles in an air line, or perhaps 100 more miles with his detours, but he flew all the way in the same biplane, and with no important mishaps.

Atwood's flight is comparable only to that made by fast trains, for he covered the distance in an actual flying time of twenty-eight hours and thirty-one minutes.

Distance covered in air line, 1,265 miles.

Total distance including detours around New York and other places, 1,365 miles.

Started from St. Louis 8:05 A. M. August 14.

Finished Governor's Island 2:38 P. M., August 25.

Flying time for entire trip, 28 hours 31 minutes.

Number of flights en route, 20.

Average distance of each flight, 63 1-4 miles.

Beats previous world's record by 101 miles, not crediting him with the extra 100 miles which he claims for detours.

To-day's trip begun at Nyack, N. Y. twenty-five miles north of Fort-second Street, New York, at 1:52 P. M.; finished at Governor's Island at 2:38 P. M.

Flying time for to-day's trip, 46 minutes.

WILL RECOMMEND A RURAL PARCELS POST.

Washington, Aug. 28.—In his annual report to congress in December, Postmaster General Hitchcock will recommend the establishment of a parcel post service on the rural mail routes, a crystallization into law of the proposed increase in second class mail rates, the enactment of a proposed law providing for a radical change in the system of compensating railways for transporting mails.

SUIT OVER OX COST LITIGANTS OVER \$1,000.

Whitesburg, Ky., Aug. 24.—The celebrated ox suit that has been fought for years in the County Court here between the Mason boys and Jesse Cook, Rockhouse citizens, has been settled, the Mason boys winning the suit. Though the ox was worth less than \$40 the case has cost each party more than \$500.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A GOOD WOMAN AT DUNN.

Last Sunday evening Mr. H. N. Bizzell and his wife started to church and on the way Mrs. Bizzell stopped to see a sick lady. There Mrs. Bizzell died suddenly in a chair where only five minutes before she was apparently in good health. Her unexpected death was a shock to the whole community. The funeral was preached Tuesday afternoon at Dunn Baptist church by her pastor, Dr. W. P. Cullom, who was assisted by Rev. T. H. King, of Smithfield. The remains were interred in the town cemetery about 5 o'clock in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives. She leaves a husband and two sons and two daughters. Mr. James A. Bizzell, professor in Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., and Mr. Lawrence Bizzell, who has charge of the Dunn electric plant, are her sons. One of her daughters is the wife of Mr. Claude Grantham, of Goldsboro, and the other lives at Falcon and is the wife of Mr. Julius Culbreth. She was reared in Johnston county, her maiden name being Katie Underwood. She was a sister of Mr. J. D. Underwood of Smithfield.

STORM DOES DAMAGE

SEVEN LOSE LIVES IN GREAT STORM AT CHARLESTON.

Furious Wind Blew Nearly One Hundred Miles An Hour.—Tide of 8 Feet Inundated Low Quarter of City.—The Damage \$1,000,000.

Charleston, S. C., via Summerville, S. C., Aug. 28.—As the result of a freak storm which struck this city and Savannah last night and which reached hurricane proportions, Charleston virtually has been isolated for 24 hours. Seven persons are known to have been killed near here and property losses, it is estimated, will reach \$1,000,000.

The storm reached the proportions of a gale about 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The wind velocity increased from 48 miles an hour at 1:25 P. M. to 94 miles at 10:20 P. M., when the wind guage was put out of adjustment.

At noon to-day the wind was only brisk and the sun was trying to shine. The rainfall was more than two inches. The disturbance was reported to be west of Charleston and working away.

The tide was something over eight feet during the storm, three feet short of the record of 1893. Considerable damage was done by the water in the low sections of the city, necessitating the removal of many persons from their homes. The waters have caused washouts on the approaches to the union station, preventing the operation of trains.

Alonzo Coburn, an engineer on the Charleston division of the Southern Railway, was instantly killed by flying timbers. A Mr. Smith, of Columbia, and Motorman Cutler, of the local street railway system, were killed and L. D. Kintworthy, of St. Stephens, and E. B. Hill were seriously injured when a trestle collapsed. Two unidentified women were drowned when their home was flooded and several negroes are reported among the storm victims.

Great damage is feared for the rice and sea island cotton industries by the rise of the tide. Not since the cyclone of 1885 has the water front here suffered so severely.

NAME GORMAN FOR GOVERNOR.

Primary Returns Indicate That Democrats of Maryland Have Nominated Late Senator's Son.

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 29.—Returns from to-day's Democratic primary election in Maryland indicate that State Senator Arthur Pue Gorman, son of the late United States Senator Gorman, will be the nominee of the democratic party for governor at the November election. Mr. Gorman's opponent in the primary was State Senator Blair Lee, who had the support of Congressman Talbot and Gov. Crothers and the so-called progressive element. To-day's primary also determined the nomination for attorney general, comptroller, members of the Maryland senate and house of delegates and the State central committee.

Our Oldest States.

Admitting New Mexico and Arizona to Statehood is somewhat like introducing one's great grand aunt to the family. How old civilization in this part of the new world is nobody can even guess intelligently but compared to Santa Fe and other settlements of the desert our one-time oldest city, St. Augustine, is only of to-day. Before the Spaniards came in the 16th century there were the Pueblos, whose arts and culture may have been 1,000 years old and they lived on the ruins of other peoples whose potteries and buried cities may have been coeval with the pyramids builders or older yet. Irrigation works are going to deliver valuable finds to the archeologist and the history of mankind will be changed.—Knoxville Sentinel.

"Wasn't that elopement story a highly colored one?"

"I should say it was. The father was purple with rage, the girl red with apprehension, her chum green with envy, the minister white with fear the fellow showed a distinct yellow streak, while the whole wedding party were blue at the outcome."—Baltimore American.

POSTAL SAVINGS BANK TO BE IN GREENSBORO.

Washington, Aug. 28.—Postmaster-General Hitchcock to-day designated Greensboro as a depository for postal savings bank funds. This is the second first class office to be established in North Carolina, Wilmington having been designated a few days ago.

It was announced at the postoffice department that the large offices are proving such a success that it is expected that all of the 426 first-class postoffices will have been designated by the end of September and that the 5,000-odd third-class offices will be well under way.

Pou's Good Speech.

The Washington correspondents and the papers are still talking about the great speech made by Ed. Pou or the president's veto of the woolen schedule. His speech was short but many people regard it as a mastery effort. Soon after the president's veto was read Mr. Pou asked permission to address the house for five minutes. He began his speech by saying it was significant that no one had dared to speak in defense of the present rates on schedule K of the woolen schedule. He said that the democrats had been attempting to revise the tariff, schedule by schedule, a plan which President Taft had said would prevent log-rolling. "It cannot therefore be urged that the veto of this bill should be sustained because the bill has any relation whatever to another schedule," said Mr. Pou. "No friend of the administration can offer such objection to revision of the wool schedule, for we have been revising the tariff in exact accordance with the wishes of Mr. Taft." Then Mr. Pou pointed out that the constitution of the United States provides that whenever the president shall fail to sign a bill he shall return it to congress, together with his "objections" to the measure. Then Mr. Pou pointed out that this veto message contained no "objections" to the bill which had just been returned to the house. "In substance the president admits that it may be a good bill. He does not say the import duties are too low; he does not say that the rates fail to cover the difference in cost here and abroad. The only objection offered by the president consists of his own lack of information. This is not a veto message, it is a plea in confession and avoidance." Continuing, the speaker said:

"There is one schedule in the Payne-Aldrich law which has no defender on this floor so far as we have heard up to this time. It has often been charged that schedule K in the Dingley law was written by an agent of the woolen manufacturers. One thing is certain, these rates are indefensible, and another thing is also certain, and that is the influence of the woolen manufacturers was strong enough to have schedule K in the Dingley bill brought forward and incorporated in the Payne bill with little change. In this very measure the president himself condemns the unjust rates in the Payne law. He shares the belief that many rates in the present schedule are too high and in excess of any needed protection for wool-grower or manufacturer."

Mr. Pou said the people had suffered and struggled to have the outrage corrected. He said that when the president made his famous Wrona speech that there was not a man in the United States who believed that Mr. Taft would veto a bill which levies a duty of forty-nine per cent on woolen goods and clothing and a duty of twenty-nine per cent on raw wool.

"The president expresses great solicitude for 'more than a million of our countrymen engaged in the production of wool and the manufacture of woolens.'" Mr. Pou was warmly congratulated when he closed his speech by members of the democratic side and by a few republicans.—Raleigh Times.

The clock in the tower of Trinity church, New York, is 100 years old. Rust and age have played havoc with it. It is to be replaced by one of modern make, having four dials, each six feet in diameter, with numerals inscribed in stone.

SMALL BOY CRIED FIRE

STARTED PANIC IN CANONSEURG MOTION PICTURE SHOW.

Twenty-Six Dead, More Hurt.—Twenty-Five Were Seriously Injured And Thirty Sustained Minor Wounds—Terrible Scene.

Canonsburg, Pa., Aug. 27.—Twenty-six dead from suffocation; 25 seriously hurt, and 30 suffering from minor injuries.

That is the amount of human toll exacted by an inexcusable panic at a moving picture show in the Canonsburg opera house Saturday night. The moving picture machine developed a slight defect. It sputtered a bit. A small boy shouted "Fire!" at the same time starting for the narrow exit. Botus Dubrowski, a foreign miner, a giant in proportions, jumped from his seat and ran wildly for the same exit. In a moment there was a fighting, struggling mass after him. At the head of a narrow stairway which led to the street the foreigner tripped. As he rolled down the stairs he swept others from their feet who were awaiting their turn to enter the theatre, and soon there was an indescribable mass of human beings at the foot of the steps battling like madmen.

The bodies clogged the way. The men walked over them and fought for positions of safety until, overwhelmed by the height of the moving mass behind, they too were crushed down to death.

It was all ended in a few minutes. Firemen, policemen and cool-headed citizens untangled the human mass. The unhurt and those slightly injured were pulled from the top of the pile. Next came the more seriously hurt. Then the rescuers came to the silent forms of those who had reached the fatal stairway first. One after another the victims, many of them women and small children, were carried to the sidewalk. All had been suffocated.

Manager Ferguson endeavored to stop the panic. Accompanied by his wife he went to the stage. Calling loudly to the frightened people to follow, he lead fully 300 to safety.

Of the 26 dead, 13 were children, seven of them pupils in the public schools. To-day it was decided to postpone for a week the opening of the schools.

Arthur McPeake was passing the building when the bodies began to pile up at the door. The young man rushed to the rescue and was in the act of dragging a body from the pile when a man came shouting down the stairs. He struck McPeake on the back and the young man's neck was broken. Sydney Rittiger was at the performance with his fiancée, Miss Lulu Fisher. Before entering the building they had stopped at a jewelry store nearby and Rittiger had bought the ring that was to have been used at their wedding. Both were killed.

Will Lane, an employe of the Canonsburg pottery and a member of the volunteer firemen's organization, hastened to assist firemen working at the pile of bodies at the entrance, when he came upon the lifeless forms of his two children lying beside his unconscious wife. Many other heartrending tragedies were enacted during and following the awful panic.

It developed to-day that there was no flash in the operating room of the theatre. Manager Ferguson of the opera house explained that when the film broke a bright light was thrown on the screen. The frightened boy imagined it was fire and unconsciously shouted out the death knell of more than a score of people.

FIFTEEN KILLED IN GREAT STORM.

Charleston, Aug. 10.—Additional reports from the country surrounding Charleston received last night brings the list of dead as a result of the terrific storm of Sunday night up to fifteen. This list is expected to be enlarged when reports are received from the more remote sea islands. Conservative estimate places the property damage in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000.

The Madrid telephone company, though the principal one in Spain, with stations in nineteen leading cities, has only 3,795 subscribers.