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TWO KILLED IN AUTO CRASH NEAR RALEIGH

Mrs. S. C. Dudley and Little Luzie Hinsley, of Raleigh, Meet Horrible Death—Smash Occurred on the Garner Highway—Melvin Branch, Of Clayton, Who Had Family Out For Ride, Cited to Appear Before Magistrate; Mr. Dudley Had Wife and Little Girl In Side Car; Tried To Get Out of Way.

(News and Observer, 31)

S. O. Dudley guessed wrong yesterday afternoon when he calculated that an automobile plunging along the Garner highway at a high speed would keep to the side of the road upon which it was traveling and steered his motorcycle to the other side. The motorcycle and side car was smashed, and his wife and little Luzie Hinsley are dead. He himself escaped injury, and Melvin Branch, of Clayton, is cited to appear before Magistrate Brown Thursday afternoon to explain.

The motorcycle was going east on the Garner road at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Mr. Dudley, who is a mechanic at the Seaboard shops, was taking his wife, and the little girl out for a ride. Reaching the bridge over Walnut creek, about a mile from the city, he stopped to make way for an approaching automobile. Melvin Branch, also with his wife, and three other persons, were in the approaching car coming to Raleigh.

Witnesses to the accident, including Mr. Dudley, say that the automobile an Essex touring car, was rushing down the incline that leads to the bridge at a speed of 70 miles an hour, and in its mad rush swerving from one side of the road to the other. The road is concrete, and tempting to motorists inclined to speed. Nearing the bridge it steadied apparently on the right side of the road as one leaves Raleigh.

Thinking that the automobile would smash him if he remained on the right side of the road, the man on the motorcycle decided to swing across to the other side. He swung in close to the rail on the left near the east end of the bridge. There was a terrific crash. The motorcycle was jammed against the concrete wall of the railing and smashed to bits. The little girl was thrown backward for 15 feet, dead, horribly mangled. Mrs. Dudley was thrown out, both legs broken, both arms broken, and a gaping hole driven into her breast by a splinter of the motorcycle. She died five minutes after reaching the hospital.

By an unaccountable miracle Mr. Dudley escaped, although the vehicle under him was left a twisted mass of metal, and beside him his wife lay almost dead, and a little behind him the little daughter of a friend whom he and his wife had invited for a pleasurable outing. The automobile suffered minor damages, and all of the occupants escaped unhurt. The windshield was broken, one front wheel smashed, and the front axle bent backward under the impact with the little motorcycle.

At the police station Mr. Branch denied that he was exceeding a speed of 20 miles an hour as he approached the bridge. Against this statement, Mr. Dudley and other witnesses assert that the car was moving at its full capacity for speed as it rushed down the paved incline to the creek. The car is advertised as capable of a speed of 70 miles an hour.

Mrs. Dudley was 30 years of age and leaves a little child. The little Hinsley girl was 14 years of age, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hinsley, who live near the Neuse river in Wake county, out on the New Bern road. She was visiting in the city for the day. Her body will be taken to Merry Oaks this morning for interment. Funeral arrangements have not been announced for Mrs. Dudley.

Primary Vote for Governor in 1916.

In the primary held on the first Saturday in June in 1916, Johnston cast 1827 votes for candidates for Governor, Bickett receiving 980 and Daughtridge 847.

It is estimated that there will be approximately 2,300 to 2,500 votes cast in the primary next Saturday. Every Democrat in the county should go to his polling place and vote for his choice among the candidates for the various offices.

JAMES P. COOK HERE SATURDAY

Running for State Auditor to Succeed W. P. Wood Who Declined a Further Nomination.

Mr. James P. Cook, of Concord, was in Smithfield Saturday in the interest of his candidacy for State Auditor. Mr. Cook is an old newspaper man and is now and has been since its establishment at the head of the Stone-wall Jackson Training School. He has been greatly interested in the work the Training School is doing. He is a quiet unassuming man who is eminently qualified for the position he seeks. He represented his district two terms in the State Senate and was chairman of the Finance Committee.

NEWS IN CLAYTON

Clayton, May 28.—Mrs. J. U. Pittman and children of Oxford spent several days this week here with relatives.

Mrs. Norwood Barbour left Wednesday for Wilson to visit her parents for a few days.

Miss Rose McIntyre of Wingate is here visiting Miss Barbara Gully.

Little Miss Frances White went to Raleigh Monday and had her tonsils removed. She came home Tuesday, and is getting along nicely now.

Miss Mildred Harris who has been a very successful member of the graded school faculty for two years, left Thursday for her home at Leaks-ville.

Misses Doris Jeffreys, Mary Williams, Genie Thomas, Eloise Turley and Ruth Yelvington returned this week from Meredith College where they have been in school. Miss Thomas is a graduate.

Mr. Miller White left Monday for South Carolina where he has taken a position.

Messrs. Hermae Duncan, Bill Ellis, and Bennette Poole, students at Wake Forest College, have come home for the vacation.

Miss Salon McCullers who has been in Mary Baldwin Seminary at Staunton, Va., came home yesterday for the vacation.

Miss Grace Barbour is at home from St. Mary's at Raleigh where she has been in school.

Mrs. J. Dwight Barbour and daughter, Alice, are visiting relatives in Florida.

Dr. Herman H. Horne and daughter Julia Carrol of New York are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hardee Horne this week.

Mrs. W. P. Creech is visiting friends in Rocky Mount.

Miss Jessie Eason who has been a student at Peace Institute, Raleigh, is here for a few days before going to her home at Wilson for the summer.

Misses Eula Maie Farmer and Alta Oldham have returned from Greensboro College for Women to spend the vacation here.

Mr. Herman Duncan leaves tonight for Greenville where he will be with the baseball team during the summer months.

During the three opening days of the new bank building for Clayton Banking Company many people were delighted and made to rejoice to see such a handsome building. Only those who have seen it come know how pretty it is. Ten dollars in gold was offered to the person, guessing the nearest number of visitors during the three days, including Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. At the close it was found that Miss Barbara Gully and Mr. A. V. Woodall had guessed the same number which was 839. The correct number of visitors was 838. Since they had tied little Miss Eleanor Talton drew from the two cards and drew Mr. Woodall. He being the winner of the ten dollar gold piece offered to divide with Miss Gully. Through the kindness of Mr. John T. Talton, cashier of the bank, Miss Gully was presented by Mr. Talton five dollars in gold and Mr. Woodall allowed to keep the ten dollars he had won. The bank expects to do a bigger business in the future than ever before and with this building along with the group of workers the future looks very bright for a greater success.

Miss Sallie Cole returned to her home at Cary today after visiting here for some time. She was accompanied by Mrs. Mark G. Gully.

Try thinking roses for a time!—J. K. Bangs.

THE COUNTY Y. M. C. A. WORK READY TO BEGIN

Prof. J. O. Bowman Now on the Job. The Executive Committee Which Will Direct the Work Chosen. Prof. Bowman's Letter to the People of The County.

Our readers, no doubt, remember something of the campaign waged in the county in the latter part of the winter for the County Y. M. C. A. work. The campaign to raise funds to carry on the work was successful, a county committee was appointed, an executive committee chosen and a County Secretary selected. But at the time the secretary who is Prof. J. O. Bowman, was chosen he was principal of the Selma High School. It was the plan of the committee and Prof. Bowman to begin the work the fifteenth of April. But the Selma school building was burned and Prof. Bowman felt that he could not afford to leave the school in its condition and stayed on until the term closed on the 21st of May.

Prof. Bowman is now on the job. He began his work last week. He will have his office in Smithfield and will soon move his family here. As was announced in these columns at the time of his selection, he is well prepared and fitted for the work he is taking up. This is a great work, and it is hoped that the forces for righteousness in this county will all stand shoulder to shoulder with him and try to organize the boys and help them to see the importance of clean living, clean speech, clean sports, and in fact the importance of keeping their lives on a high moral plane of living.

The Executive Committee chosen by the County Committee are as follows: W. H. Higgs, Chairman; P. H. Kasey, Secretary; and H. B. Marrow, Treasurer. The subscribers to the fund will be called on right soon by the treasurer for their subscriptions. There has been no need for funds until now, but since the work is ready to begin funds are necessary.

The letter of Prof. Bowman to the people of the county follows:

To the People of Johnston County:

This letter is merely to let you know that I am on the field, at work, in the interest of the boys and girls—particularly the boys and young men—of Johnston County. Moreover, I wish to assure you that whenever and wherever I may be of service to them, it shall be my pleasure to be commanded.

You understand, I'm sure, what the Y. M. C. A. stands for—the all-round development of the young manhood of our country. In other words, the full development of all the latent powers of youth—spiritually, mentally, morally and physically. It is needless to say, that the country needs young men of this type as never before.

It shall be my purpose to organize, through your high schools, or with the aid of some other local organization, a Young Men's Christian Association for your town and community. We hope to be able to carry out this plan of organization in six or seven of the larger towns this year, and eventually extend the work to every community in the county.

I shall expect the hearty cooperation of the fathers and mothers of Johnston county, in the initiation of this important movement for the promotion of clean speech, clean sports, and clean habits, among our young men.

I shall be around to see all, and get better acquainted, just as rapidly as I can. Meanwhile, with bright hopes for the great work ahead, I am,

Yours for a stronger, nobler young manhood,

J. O. BOWMAN,
General Secretary Y. M. C. A.
Of Johnston County.

7 In Race for Supreme Court Judge.

There are seven candidates in the race for Supreme Court Judge. The candidates are N. Y. Gully, Owen H. Guion, N. J. Rouse, W. P. Stacy, W. J. Adams, B. F. Long and W. A. Hoke. Every voter will be expected to vote for two since there are two vacancies on the Supreme Court Bench.

Every day is a little life, and our whole life is a day repeated. Those that dare lose a day are dangerously prodigal; those that dare misspend it, desperate.—Anon.

THE COTTON CROP IN THE SOUTH IS LATE

Bad Weather Throws It Back Several Weeks.—Cotton Association's Report Gives Condition on May 25 as 67.2 Per Cent.

(Charlotte Observer.)

Columbia, S. C., May 28.—The crop report issued by the American Cotton Association from its headquarters in this city today, gives the condition of cotton on May 25 as 67.2.

The report declares that the weather had been extremely unfavorable over most of the belt until the middle of May so that the crop is from four to five weeks late, the preparation very poor and the stands badly broken.

"This," says the report, "under present insect conditions and the great shortage of labor is an extremely serious feature and will probably more largely reduce the production than similar conditions have ever reduced it in the past."

Concerning acreage the report says "Acreage shows a small decrease compared with last year. However, there was an acreage abandonment last season as shown by the government over six per cent. Under existing conditions it is almost a certainty that the acreage abandonment will exceed all previous records. On account of the high prices for food products and the absolute certainty that the world is facing a great shortage in food, the producers are urged to give careful heed to the loss they face from abandoned cotton acreage and are accepting the recommendations of the American Cotton Association to replant their acreage, on which there is poor stands of cotton and probability of abandonment in food crops and are intensifying their efforts to increase production on the remaining part of their acreage."

"Labor conditions," continues the report, "shows a reduction as compared with last year of 18 per cent. In addition to this it is extremely inefficient, the 18 per cent reduction being from the cream of the labor. The seriousness of the labor situation has been added to by the fact that the producer based upon the price paid for his cotton, cannot compete with other employers in obtaining his labor. With normal seasons from now on the cultivation of the crop will be a serious problem. With adverse weather conditions, it will necessitate a large acreage abandonment. The matter of harvesting with ideal seasons will prove very serious."

"The supply of cotton remaining in America has been reduced as shown by the census department by unspinnable cotton around 1,250,000 bales. In addition to this the investigation of supplies of cotton in all foreign countries which are now being made through United States consuls and representatives of the American Cotton Association brings to light the fact that the world's supply of cotton will in like manner be seriously reduced by unspinnable cotton and errors. We are facing the absolute certainty of a famine in spot cotton. This investigation brings to light, as we have been insisting for a year the fact that there is not enough cotton for all and some will have to go without. We find that the purchases of cotton for fall delivery by the European spinners are extremely heavy. Such purchases from this source are breaking all previous records. Forward sales of manufactured products being made on these purchases at the same time assure enormous profits to the manufacturer."

DESPERADO SURRENDERS

Hobbs Is Taken to State Penitentiary At Raleigh for Safe Keeping.

Raleigh, May 27.—George Hobbs, alleged leader of several negroes who shot and killed two Cumberland county officers at Fayetteville last week when they attempted to arrest him, and for whom a posse had since been searching, surrendered to the authorities at Fayetteville late yesterday and was quietly removed from that city and brought to the State penitentiary here last night for safekeeping.

Following the slaying of the officers there were numerous reports of threats that the negro would be lynched if captured.

GOOD OPPORTUNITY OPEN NOW

Johnston County Merchants May Have Goods from Chicago Shipped In Through Car to Rocky Mount.

The Smithfield Chamber of Commerce has just been advised by the Chicago Association of Commerce, that they are now operating a through merchandise car from Chicago to Rocky Mount, leaving Chicago by the "Big 4" and running connections with the C. and O. and the A. C. L. Railroads. Into this car all shipments for Smithfield and surrounding towns are loaded, in order to avoid the congested transfer points such as Richmond, Roanoke and Norfolk. If the merchants of Smithfield and other towns of Johnston County, in ordering goods from Chicago and other western points will designate that shipments be made via the Chicago through merchandise car for Rocky Mount, it will enable them to get their goods with a good deal less delay.

The Chicago Association of Commerce has inaugurated this system and there are now 2500 merchandise cars leaving Chicago every day for the various points in the United States and Canada. The Smithfield Chamber of Commerce asks the cooperation of the merchants in maintaining this system of a through car, which is designed to speed up the shipments, and to help avoid the congestion caused by the handling of shipments in less than carloads.

Smithfield Chamber of Commerce.
F. H. BROOKS, Secretary.

In Memory of Lizzie R. Blackman.

On Friday night, May 28th, at ten o'clock, the sweet and gentle spirit of Lizzie R. Blackman passed into the Great Beyond. She had been in ill health for about six months, slowly giving way under the ravages of that dread disease, the Great White Plague. Weep not, dear husband, children, relatives; for we feel quite sure that our loss is her eternal gain.

Lizzie was thirty-five years, eleven months and twenty-one days old. She was the youngest daughter of the late John A. and Emily W. Barefoot. In 1906 she was united in marriage to Mr. Sidney T. Blackman of Meadow township, and to the union were born three children, all of whom survive her. She is also survived by one sister, Mrs. James S. Holder of Meadow and two brothers, Messrs. W. T. Barefoot of Bentonsville and J. Nelson Barefoot of Meadow. About five years ago she united with the Free Will Baptist church at New Zealand. Ever since that time she has lived a true and faithful Christian life, and through to the end, her full reliance was in the Christ. Truly she lived in Him and died in Him.

She was laid to rest on Saturday afternoon, May 29th, in the Blackman burying ground. A large concourse of relatives and friends were present to pay the last tribute of respect to the deceased. The friends of the deceased made a large and beautiful floral offering. The burial services were conducted by the Reverend Robert Strickland.

We wish to extend to all who lent help and sympathy during the illness of our dear sister our heartfelt thanks and sincerest appreciation.

A loving brother,
J. N. BAREFOOT.

Candidates File Preliminary Expense Account.

The preliminary expense accounts of the candidates for the June primary are being filed with the Secretary of State.

O. Max Gardner's expense account to May 25, was filed Tuesday amounting to \$4,683.48.

Congressman of the Third district, \$1,220.

C. L. Abernethy, Brinson's opponent, \$2,131.50.

A. L. Brooks, who is running against Senator Overman, has spent \$2,150.02.

Other candidates have filed statements showing that they have spent from \$20 up to over five hundred dollars.

Cam Morrison, candidate for the gubernatorial nomination, puts his expense account at \$6,050.06. John G. Shaw, candidate for congress in the sixth district, places his expenses at \$2,240, while Homer L. Lyon, one of his opponents, has spent \$837. F. C. Harding, candidate for Lieutenant Governor, has spent \$817.20.

HEAVY FINES FOR CLOTHING PROFITEERS

Fined \$31,000 In U. S. Court—Weeds, Inc., of Binghamton, N. Y., Must Pay Largest Fine That Has Been Imposed In U. S. To Date Following Charge of Profiteering.

Syracuse, N. Y., May 28.—Weed's, Inc., Binghamton clothiers, were found guilty this morning in the United States Court on eight counts of an indictment charging profiteering. The court imposed a fine of \$31,000, which is the largest that has been passed in the United States following a conviction for profiteering.

Department of Justice officials here said today that the conviction was the second secured in the entire country against a large and long established concern conducting a prosperous business. Six counts covered sales actually made and a fine of \$5,000 was imposed for each of them.

The charges in these counts were as follows:

The sale of a suit of clothes costing \$20 for \$40.

The sale of a suit costing \$12.10 for \$40. The defense disputed the cost price, claiming it was \$21.

The sale of another suit \$45, the cost price being fixed at \$23.50.

The sale of a suit costing \$17.82 for \$45.

The sale of a suit of clothes for \$29.50, the cost of the suit having been \$11.75.

The sale of a suit costing \$32.25 to a millionaire for \$60.—Associated Press in Raleigh Times.

THREE LARGE CROWDS HAIL GARDNER IN NORTHAMPTON

Shelby Man Replies to Alleged Remark by Morrison That He Is A Man of Wealth.

Weldon, May 26.—Northampton county was invaded by O. Max Gardner, democratic gubernatorial candidate today, he speaking to three large and enthusiastic crowds.

The first speech was made at Woodland on the occasion of the commencement of the Woodland high school. Mr. Gardner was nearly two hours late in reaching Woodland, due to a heavy rain storm and resulting bad roads, but the crowd waited and cheered lustily as the Cleveland county man concluded what many said was the best speech heard in Northampton county in 20 years.

Driving through the country in a terrific rainstorm, Mr. Gardner went to Creeksville, where an enthusiastic audience awaited him.

Senator W. H. S. Burgwyn, in introducing the candidate, said that Mr. Gardner was the first gubernatorial candidate to speak in Creeksville.

The largest crowd of the campaign turned out at Jackson tonight to hear Mr. Gardner, who said in part:

"Mr. Morrison has been saying in his speeches that Mr. Page and I are rich men and that he is a poor man. I am not a rich man but have always been able to meet my financial obligations, and by economy and thrift have gathered together some little property.

"I started with nothing but a determination to win and if the fact that a man has been able to pay his every debt and at the same time save some money, every cent of which was made honestly, is reason for his being unfit to be governor of the state of North Carolina, then I must be ineligible. I hardly think such is the case, however, and if Mr. Morrison wishes to ask for the support of North Carolina as a financial failure that is his privilege."—Weldon special to Charlotte Observer.

JIM GRAHAM WINS PARDON.

Raleigh, May 27.—Governor Bickett has granted a conditional pardon to Jim Graham of Pitt county, convicted in July, 1912, of an assault, with criminal intent, upon a woman and sentenced to serve 15 years in the penitentiary.

The prisoner was 13 years old when the crime was committed, and has served eight years with a good behavior record, says Governor Bickett in giving his reasons for pardoning him.

The sheriff wrote a strong letter in his behalf, saying he is convinced the boy intended to commit no crime.