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YOUNG MAN KILLED NEAR HERE SUNDAY

Mr. Norfleet Nicholson Fatally Injured While Learning to Drive Motorcycle

Sunday morning about 10:30 o'clock a tragic accident occurred about a mile and a quarter from here on the Goldsboro road when Mr. Norfleet Nicholson of Littleton, who was learning to ride a motorcycle, was thrown from the machine and fatally injured. He had never ridden a motorcycle before and he was followed by the owner and a friend in a car to see how he succeeded in driving. It is said by those who witnessed the accident that he was driving at the rate of thirty-five miles an hour when apparently he decided to stop. Applying the brakes, the rear wheel skidded about 100 yards and finally turned over, falling upon the young man and dragging him several feet. He received deep bruises about his head and was rendered unconscious.

The accident occurred near the home of Mr. B. R. Hamilton, who, assisted by Mr. George Williamson, took Mr. Nicholson to his porch, and Dr. L. D. Warton was called to render medical aid. In about an hour he was brought to the hospital here where it was found that he was fatally injured. He died about 5:30 Sunday afternoon without having regained consciousness.

Mr. Nicholson was eighteen years old. He was employed by the state highway commission, and has been in this city for the past two weeks.

He is a son of Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Nicholson, of Littleton, who arrived soon after he died. His father is pastor of the Methodist church of Littleton. The body was taken to Littleton yesterday morning for burial.

The family has friends here who extend sympathy in this hour of bereavement.

COOLIDGE'S FATHER TALKS OF HIS SON

Shortly after the election following the Boston police strike, when Calvin Coolidge was re-elected Governor of Massachusetts, I interviewed him in the State House on Beacon Hill. Among other questions, I asked:

"What was the most formative influence in your life?"

"I never considered the matter." About an hour after the interview was over a telephone call came for me at the hotel: "The Governor wants to see you."

When I was again ushered into his office, he said:

"I've been thinking of that question that you asked."

"Just which question was that, Governor?"

"What was the most formative influence in my life?"

"Yes," said I, producing pencil and note paper.

"My father"

That was all, no elaboration, just those two words.—McAdam, in New York Times.

Poverty

Who walks beside a rosebud
And does not sense its bloom,
Its lovely form and color,
Its delicate perfume;
Who walks beneath the heavens
And does not see the sky,
The sunrise and the sunset,
The tints that glow and die;
Who treads a rural pathway,
And never hears a bird,
Nor notes the trembling grasses
A passing breeze has stirred;
Who dwells among his fellows,
And sees them pass his door,
Nor even hears their heartbeats
Is pitifully poor.

—Kind Words.

Sun In Eclipse

The eclipse of the sun which was total in California and along the western coast was partially visible here yesterday afternoon from four to five o'clock. Apparently about one-third of the sun was darkened. It has been several years since an eclipse of the sun was visible here.

FALL ACTIVITIES OF THE KIWANIS CLUB

Hotel, Creamery and Hatchery Are Some of the Enterprises on Foot

The first indoor Kiwanian banquet of the fall season held at the Woman's club room Thursday evening was marked by the discussion of a number of enterprises of vital importance to the business life of this community.

The hotel proposition, which had somewhat faded from public thought since the carrying of the election sometime ago, was again revived and a committee appointed to proceed with the undertaking. According to the plan which has been adopted, fifty thousand dollars must be subscribed before the bonds voted can be issued and sold to build a hotel. The Kiwanis club named the following men on the committee to raise this stock: Messrs. R. C. Gillett, N. B. Grantham, and J. H. Abell. We understand that proffers of two subscriptions of \$25,000, and \$15,000 have been made, but whether these subscriptions will be accepted is not known.

The movement for a creamery to be located here, which has been under consideration for some time, was discussed and a committee appointed to help the committee already appointed in soliciting cows which will supply milk for the creamery. Messrs. T. C. Young, W. L. Fuller and H. C. Woodall form this committee.

It will be recalled that Governor Morrison in his address at Holt Lake in the spring promised to do what he could toward establishing a fish hatchery at Holt Lake. It has developed, according to information given us, that the State Fisheries Commission is willing to place a hatchery at the lake, which we believe will be the only inland hatchery in eastern North Carolina, provided five acres of land be devoted to the state for this purpose. Kiwanians T. C. Young, D. H. Creech and L. G. Stevens were appointed as a committee to raise funds for this enterprise.

A number of tobacco buyers on the local market were guests of the Kiwanians Thursday evening, and in brief talks, most encouraging reports of the market here were made.

Before the banquet was concluded plans were made to entertain the teachers of the graded school at an early date. It has been the custom for the Woman's club to entertain the teachers each fall, but this year the Woman's Club and the Kiwanis club will entertain jointly. A barbecue and picnic supper at Holt Lake on the afternoon of Sept 20th is being planned.

Altogether the Kiwanis meeting of Thursday evening was full of interest. If the program of fall activities be carried out things will soon be humming in and around Smithfield.

Don't Neglect The Child

A mother writes to the Progressive Farmer as follows:

"The greatest mistake of my life and the one that cost me the greatest price was failing to see that our little girl was regularly examined and weighed by a physician. She had a good appetite and ate heartily and, while she was frail and thin, we thought it was because her father was frail and thin and she was like him. We did not know she was suffering from malnutrition until she was taken with a serious illness, and we lost her."

When a child does not increase in weight and in size there is some physical defect and every parent owes it to his child to have the defect removed if possible.

FARMERS BANK & TRUST COMPANY GIVE TABLES

Through the generosity of the Farmers Bank and Trust Company of this city, the Curb market will be equipped with tables suitable to display the produce brought to market each Friday morning. Those who patronize the market will appreciate this courtesy on the part of the bank.

AN ALL DAY CLUB MEETING OAK GROVE

Wayne County Agents Assist Agents of Johnston In Demonstration

Last Thursday was a red letter day in the brief history of the Oak Grove (Bentonville township) Home Demonstration Club. Organized a few months ago with twenty-two members, Thursday brought fourteen new members, when the club had an all day picnic devoted to club work. Men, women, boys and girls, fully a hundred enjoyed the program of the day. Mrs. Kirby Rose is president of the club but at the beginning she turned things over to Miss Minnie Lee Garrison, County Home Agent. After the singing of a number of patriotic songs, Mr. Gaither, District farm agent, talked on "Poultry Associations." He emphasized the good such associations are accomplishing telling of their success in Robeson and New Hanover Counties. By cooperative buying of flocks, equipment etc. and by selling the products cooperatively, an association proves of great help.

Following Mr. Gaithers' talk, Miss Janie Roberts, Home Demonstration Agent of Wayne county, gave a culling demonstration. Miss Roberts showed how to tell which of the flock were simply "boarding" and which were paying for their keep and more.

The morning program was followed by a sumptuous picnic dinner enjoyed by all present.

In the afternoon, Mr. A. K. Robertson, Wayne County Farm Agent, and Mr. N. B. Stevens, Johnston County Farm Agent gave demonstrations to the farmers present in seed selection and other phases of farm work. The women and girls saw Misses Garrison and Roberts make a dress form.

Another subject of importance which was discussed at this meeting was the Bentonville Community Fair to be held in October.

The day combined business with pleasure and was quite a success.

Hospital Notes

Mrs. Lena Talton of Selma was operated on Friday. Her condition is very good at this time.

Henry B. Marrow and William Pope Lyon, little boys of Mr. H. B. Marrow and Mr. W. H. Lyon, respectively, underwent minor operations Thursday morning. They have both gone home, and are doing nicely.

Mr. Walter Myatt, who was injured in an automobile accident ten days ago, has been discharged from the hospital. Although he is not yet well, his condition is much improved.

Mr. W. C. Massengill of Four Oaks, who underwent an operation for ruptured appendix and peritonitis, three weeks ago, was discharged Saturday.

Mr. Chester West, of Benson, who was operated on some weeks ago was discharged Friday.

The condition of Mrs. Anna Stanley of Four Oaks, who underwent an operation last week, is much improved.

Miss Hooks Entertains

Miss Arah Hooks charmingly entertained a number of the young people of this city Friday evening at the home of her parents Dr. and Mrs. Thel Hooks, in honor of the boys and girls who go away to college this fall.

As soon as the guests arrived they matched partners for a guessing contest. Names of various famous persons were pinned on the backs of each guest and by conversation with their partners, each was requested to guess the person they were representing. Other contests followed during the evening. Music on the piano and saxophone added to the pleasure of the occasion.

Prayer-Service

The regular mid-week prayer service will be held in the Presbyterian church Wednesday at eight p. m. All are cordially invited to be present.

SMITHFIELD RAISES MORE THAN QUOTA

Drive For Japanese Relief Successful Here; Suffering in Japan Appalling

The citizens of this city have responded generously to the call of the American Red Cross for funds to alleviate the suffering of the stricken Japanese people. The quota for this town was \$200.00, but much more than this amount was raised Sunday by the various churches of the town, the Methodist leading with a contribution \$244.50. The total amount raised was \$323.50.

More than two-thirds of the \$5,000,000 asked of the American people has been raised. Donations are still pouring into headquarters in Washington and supplies are being rushed to Japan. On account of the appalling human suffering it may be necessary to continue the relief work for several weeks to come.

John Barton Payne, National chairman of the Red Cross and Secretary of Commerce Hoover, who has devoted the major portion of his time to the earthquake relief fund activities since the first news of the calamity reached America, issued a joint statement Sunday surveying the situation to date and appealing urgently for increased efforts on the part of all local Red Cross chapters.

The statement makes a strong distinction between the economic loss, which Secretary Hoover has said he believes were exaggerated in first reports, and the appalling human suffering that each new report enhances. The statement says in part:

"It is now possible, from the reports of the different government departments and the Red Cross, to form a more comprehensive idea of the extent of the Japanese disaster. The area affected supports a population of approximately 10,000,000 persons. Between two and three hundred thousand are estimated to have been killed from three to five hundred thousand injured. In the Yokohama and Tokio district alone a million and a half have been rendered homeless, and in addition, it is estimated that one million more are homeless in the outside districts. Many millions more have been cut off from their occupations.

"The supplies of food, clothing, medicines, hospital service and material for construction of shelter have been destroyed in the larger centers. Supplies of milk for children are no longer available. Great masses of children have been orphaned. Hundreds of thousands of bread winners have been lost.

"The problem, therefore, of American charity is to provide with the utmost expedition supplies of food, medicines and clothing, and to ship material for temporary shelter to provide solution for the destitution which follows from such a great disaster and dislocation.

"The amount of the contribution we can make, the supplies and support we can mobilize within the next ten days, are not only the mark of American generosity, but have a direct quotient of human suffering mitigated and human life saved."

A Sumptuous Barbecue

Johnston County is famous for her barbecue, and the sumptuous barbecue supper given by Messrs. Bernice and Daniel Jones and Henry Stephenson at the old Jones home place near Wilson's Mills Friday evening, was quite up to the county's reputation. By six-thirty o'clock the grove was full of automobiles which had brought from sixty to seventy five guests to enjoy the occasion. A table had been arranged, which was piled up with the most appetizing barbecue, which Mr. Stephenson knows how to make. Fried chicken, corn bread, light bread, cold slaw and pickles. Lemonade was served in abundance.

The supper was a veritable feast and those present were profuse in their expressions of enjoyment.

Winter is coming. Keep only those farm animals which pay their way.

YOKOHAMA IS MADE A VERITABLE HELL

Great Oil Tanks Explode; Harbor is Turned Into a Mass of Flames

Tokio, Sept. 9.—Twenty-three thousand persons were killed and injured at Yokohama in the earthquake disaster, according to an official announcement.

Seventy-one percent of the city of Tokio was destroyed.

In the Hakone district ten thousand are dead.

Public markets will be opened in Tokio shortly, it was announced, and distribution to refugees will temporarily be carried on by the numerous relief centers. Housing problems, it was announced, will be solved by temporary barracks. Landmarks and points along the Japanese coast have entirely disappeared, and the shore line of Kamakura Bay has been raised, it was stated here today.

Shanghai, Sept. 9.—At the first shock of the earthquake the great oil tanks on the hillside above the Yokosuda cable station exploded and millions of tons of oil swept down upon the city, turning the harbor into a mass of flames. The walls of the Negeshi prison collapsed and 5,000 convicts were released.

The most desperate of these sought to profit by looting and murdering the disabled. Hastily formed bodies of citizens, however, hunted out the miscreants and exacted a summary death penalty. The American hospital is reported to have been hurled from the bluff to the cemetery below tearing open the earth and exhuming the bodies of many of those interred there.

The stories of the earthquake as narrated by eye-witnesses depict scenes rivalling in horror the popular representations of the Buddhist hell. Business men were about to leave their offices in Yokohama at the close of Saturday morning's work, when without warning and with a tremendous roar, the ground heaved up four or five feet and then dropped back again, houses on the bluff were precipitated headlong into the city. The ground rocked, heaved and swayed like the waves of the sea. Fugitives fleeing from the falling buildings found their way blocked by huge gaping holes some of them large enough to admit a horse and wagon.

Peril was added by the rising water from the water mains which burst everywhere; this, with fire blocked all exits from the city. Hundreds sought to escape from a fiery death by rushing toward the Moto Maehi canal, while some, who endeavored to cross on wooden lighters, were overtaken by blazing oil, which flowed from the exploded tanks, and met horrible death. Still others, panic stricken, flung themselves into the water and met an equally dreadful fate. The canal was soon choked with floating bodies.

People leaped into the sea in their frenzy to escape the deluge of hot cinders from the blazing ruins.

INQUEST HELD OVER 32,564 BODIES IN TOKIO

Tokio, via. Osaka, Ahahi, Sept. 7.—The Tokio police have announced that up to Thursday morning the coroner had directed inquests over 32,564 corpses in the Honjo military clothing warehouse and yards alone.

It has been learned that many refugees riding on the roofs of trains were knocked off and killed in the Usui Tunnel near Karuizawa.

ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE FELT IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Sept. 9.—An earthquake of moderate intensity was recorded between 5:23 and 6:40 p. m. today, on the seismograph at Georgetown University Father Tondorf said it was very difficult from the record to determine the distance of the disturbance, but he estimated it centered 2,300 or 2,400 miles from Washington. It had two periods of maximum intensity, at 6 and at 6:15 o'clock.

THE COTTON COOPS ADVANCE \$60 BALE

All Short Staple Cotton Of Last Season Sold; Final Settlement Soon

Raleigh, Sept. 8.—Our Board of Directors held its regular meeting yesterday. Realizing the special need of money by cotton growers at this season of the year, the Board authorized the management to make a first advance of \$60 per bale, instead of \$50.00 as announced heretofore. This will take effect immediately and a flat advance of \$80.00 per bale will be paid for all bales weighing 400 pounds or over. An advance of 12 cents per pound will be made on all bales weighing less than 400 pounds. Those members who had delivered cotton prior to this announcement and have received only \$50.00 per bale, will be mailed checks covering this increase in first advance probably within the next ten days.

This increase in first advance has been made possible by the excellent arrangements made by Secretary-Treasurer, A. E. Bing, for financing the 1923 crop.

Mr. Wilbert Ward, Assistant vice-president of the National City Bank of New York City, met with the Directors and discussed with them the arrangements recently made with his institution—the largest bank in the United States—by Secretary-Treasurer, A. E. Bing, and Mr. John H. Boushall, of the Citizens Bank of Raleigh, for a line of credit of \$6,000,000.

The arrangements which had been made were approved by the Directors which action assures ample funds for making the advance payment to the Association members on all cotton which they will deliver the season now beginning.

This amount is in addition to the \$2,000,000 revolving fund which the Secretary-Treasurer has arranged for with the North Carolina Banks.

This was Mr. Ward's first visit to the Old North State and he appeared to be favorably impressed. He had not previously had the opportunity of seeing the inside workings of a Cotton Growers' Cooperative Association and he appeared to be glad to render material assistance toward making the movement a success.

All short staple cotton for the season 1922-1923 has been sold and the final audit of the accounts is being made preparatory to making final settlement with members. The Auditors reported to the Directors today that they are bending every effort to get a final distribution to the members but it will be several days yet before checks for the final settlement can be mailed.

RED CROSS TO RAISE FIVE MILLION DOLLARS

The American Red Cross officials have decided to begin a campaign immediately for the purpose of raising five million dollars for Japanese relief. It is believed that the amount will be quickly subscribed, but there is pressing need for cash contributions, the distance to the earthquake area precluding the collection and shipment there of clothing and other supplies.

LEGACY TO TRINITY AND M. E. ORPHANAGE

Angier B. Duke, millionaire tobacco merchant, who was drowned Labor Day at Greenwich, Conn., left in his will bequests to Trinity College, Durham, and to the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh. He left \$10,000 to the orphanage and \$250,000 to Trinity College. Conservative estimates of his estate places the value near \$5,000,000.

Rev. Mr. Woods to Speak on China

By request Rev. J. R. Woods will deliver an address on China in the high school auditorium next Friday evening at eight o'clock. No admittance fee will be charged and no offering will be taken. All are welcome to hear Mr. Woods tell of what he has seen and experienced in China.