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Looking For Woman In Hickman Case

Police Believe She Was In Hickman's Apartment On Day Before Return Of Child's Body.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 1.—Investigators of the District Attorney's office here today sought a woman believed to be in the apartment of William E. Hickman, admitted slayer of Marian Parker, on the day before the girl's body was given to her father in exchange for \$500.

George Conteras, chief investigator of the district attorney's office, disclosed that the department had received information from a man living in the Bellevue Arms apartments, where Hickman lived, that a woman visited Hickman in his apartment rooms Friday, December 16.

Officers said that this information might indicate that the school girl was slain on Friday, and not on Saturday, December 17, as Hickman said in his confession to the police.

The search of district attorney's investigators was directed toward a girl, who, officers were told moved from the apartment house several days ago.

The officers were told that a conversation had been overheard between a woman and Hickman in the apartment in which the woman said: "Diddle, we've got to get out of here, and get out quick."

Only a glimpse was obtained of the woman, the officers were told, who was described as older than the man, fashionably dressed and vivaciously made up.

6 NEGROES WERE LYNCHED IN 1927

TUSKEGEE, Ala., Jan. 1.—Sixteen persons, all negroes, were lynched during 1927. It was announced today by the department of research and records, this compared with 30 in the previous year, 17 in 1925, 16 in 1924, and 33 in 1923.

Four of the victims were burned to death, the report said, and the bodies of two were burned after they had been put to death. Offenses with which they were charged included murder, assault, attempted assault and improper conduct.

The report said that of those lynched, six were taken from jails, six seized from officers of the law outside jails. It added that there were 42 instances in which officers prevented lynchings, 34 in northern states and eight in northern states.

NEWITT MORGAN DEAD

Newitt Morgan died at his home in Benson Saturday and was buried Sunday afternoon. Mr. Morgan suffered a stroke of paralysis twenty-four hours before his death. He was about sixty years of age, never married.

The funeral service was conducted at the residence Sunday afternoon by Rev. Xure Lee and Rev. Kirk. Interment was made in the Benson cemetery.

Tantalizer

There are exactly enough letters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smithfield, and if the right one decipher his name and will present it to The Herald office, we will present him with a complimentary ticket to the Victory Theatre. Tickets must be called for before the following issue.

(Miss) Luella Standish recognized her name last issue. Today's Tantalizer is inconspicuous.

Child Injured By Falling Porch Box

Five-Year-Old Son Of P. W. Barber Receives Serious Internal Injuries; Operation Successful.

Friends of the family will be glad to learn that Edward Barber, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Barber of the Potlanta section, is resting comfortably after undergoing a serious operation at the Johnston County Hospital.

Last Thursday afternoon while playing the child turned a 200-pound porch box over, the box falling across his abdomen. According to reports reaching here, he was swinging on the flower box when it turned over upon him.

He was brought immediately to the hospital here where it was found that he had sustained serious internal injuries, his liver and kidneys being badly crushed. Little hope was entertained for his recovery. An operation proved successful, however, and the little patient was doing nicely at the last report.

Dodge Brothers Has Completed Program

Leaders In The Automotive Industry Believe 1928 Will Be Active and Prospective Year

Leaders in the automotive industry are practically unanimous in their expressions that 1928 will be an active and prosperous year for the automobile trade. Many signs indicate that these optimistic forecasts have an excellent chance of being fulfilled during the New Year.

Certainly in the case of Dodge Brothers, Inc., we have every reason to hope for new high sales records. During 1927, Dodge Brothers, Inc., undertook the long and difficult task of completely revising its products. While a curtailment of activities necessarily took place, the work of readjustment was so organized that a shutdown of the Dodge factories was avoided. This work has now been completed. Dodge Brothers has successfully passed through this transition phase and stands in a strong position, with both manufacturing and distributing facilities in shape to handle a greater volume of business than ever before.

Instead of confining itself to a single type of passenger car in a single price classification, Dodge Brothers emerges from its period of preparation with an extensive line of models in three different price classes. Newest in the Dodge line will be the Victory; a six cylinder car embodying important features possessed by no other automobile. The Victory six has been in production for several weeks, and stocks are now being shipped to dealers all over the country for simultaneous display beginning January 5. Prices will be announced on the same date.

Dodge Brothers' four cylinder car, which has more than 2,000,000 owners, has been brought up to the minute; with 4-wheel brakes, an improved motor, and numerous betterments in body and chassis. The Senior six, added to Dodge Brothers line a few months ago, has justified the expectations of our engineers and will be continued as Dodge Brothers' highest priced model.

Graham Brothers truck division, which attained new high sales records in 1927, is now producing a wide variety of four and six cylinder commercial cars and trucks. Our truck executives believe that the steady increases shown in past years will be repeated in 1928. With our full line in production, Dodge Brothers dealers are now preparing to make reasonably prompt deliveries. However, if the volume business expected by the automotive trade materializes, it is more than likely that the peak demands of spring will exceed the supply of cars.

Crew of the "Dawn"

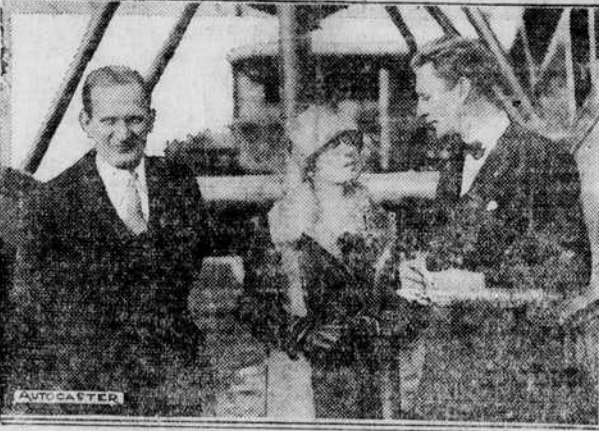


Photo taken shortly before they hopped off for their trans-Atlantic flight attempt shows, left to right, Brice Goldborough, Mrs. Frances Grayson and Lieut. Oskar Omdal.

Robbers Stage Hold Up Under Arc Light

Negro Barber Is Relieved Of \$27 At The Point Of A Pistol; Officers Give Chase To Suspects In Car.

A bold hold-up was staged in Smithfield Sunday night about ten-thirty o'clock when a Negro barber by the name of R. L. Hamer who works at Bud Brown's barber shop was forced to give up \$27 at the point of a pistol. Hamer had been to his preacher's house where they were arranging for a play. On his way home about 10:30 o'clock he was on the corner where highway number 10 joins Market street in front of the Standard Oil filling station under an arc light when suddenly a white man dashed in front of him, holding a gun in his face and calling "hands up." When Hamer had complied his assailant called to a companion, a negro, who up until that time had been concealed, to do his work. The negro took everything from Hamer's pockets and kept the money. He returned what papers he found. As soon as the money had been secured the negro and the white man ran toward the Johnston county hospital.

Deputy Sheriff T. E. Talton was called and he went immediately to the scene of the hold-up. Talton scouted around for a while, but failed to find anyone lurking in back lots or any strange automobile. In a short time Frank Lawrence Skinner came by and Talton hailed him and asked his assistance in finding the robbers. They soon discovered a strange car going out of town at a rapid rate of speed. Their suspicions were aroused and they followed the car for about two miles and a half. The occupants of the strange car realized they were being followed, for a part of the time the two cars were neck and neck. A negro and a white man were the occupants, and

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State Is Visited By Most Severe Cold Of Season With Mercury Still Falling

MERCURY SIX BELOW IN WATAUGA COUNTY BLOWING ROCK, Jan. 1.—The new year came in here with the coldest weather of the season. At six o'clock this morning the temperature was 2 above but it fell throughout the day and at six o'clock tonight it was 6 below. A high wind whirled a dry snow into the faces of travelers. Acute suffering of livestock was reported from over the county, but no deaths have been recorded.

COLDEST WEATHER OF SEASON SEIZES DIXIE ATLANTA, Jan. 1.—Gripped in the talons of the season's record cold wave, the south tonight was swept by a brisk icy wind that sent the mercury, already at new season lows, scurrying toward lower levels. Five degrees below zero at Louisville, was the day's lowest reading for a city, with Savannah, Ga., recording a 31 and central Florida points ranging into the forties.

Business Changes In Smithfield

Two New Firms Open At First Of The Year; N. B. Grantham Moves To New Building.

Smithfield will no doubt experience the usual number of New Year changes. New firms are opening up, and some are changing hands. Among the new firms opening up this week are Britton-Hill Motor company, and James E. Wilson. The proprietors of the motor company are C. W. Britton of Athens, Ga., and James Z. Hill, of the Sanders Chapel section. This firm has the agency for Johnston county for Pontiac and Oakland automobiles. At present this business is located in the armory, but by January 10 they expect to move to a new building just completed by Peedin and Peterson on Market street next to the Underwood company. This brings the number of automobile agencies operating in Smithfield up to five, and is an indication that Smithfield is a good center for distributing cars.

The other new firm, that of James E. Wilson, is a sales stable. Mr. Wilson comes to Smithfield from Benson. He has purchased Parrish's stables on Third street, and already has a stock of mules on hand. Mr. Wilson has just returned from Tennessee where he purchased a carload of mules. A. W. Hodges, who was formerly located at the Parrish stables, according to our information, will still run a sales stable in this city near the Central warehouse.

The City Market changed hands a few weeks ago when M. B. Strickland sold out to Layton McGugan. Associated with Mr. McGugan beginning January 1 is Wilbert Blackman, who was last year with Stevens and Ogburn. Among the moves is that of N. B. Grantham, who last week moved his stock of men's clothing to his new store just a few doors down from his old stand on Market street. The new store, which is two stories high, gives ample room for a fine display of the goods of this firm. This is one of the oldest firms in town and the proprietor and his force will appreciate shaking hands with their friends at the new location.

FORMER GULLIED FIELD VALUABLE TIMBER LAND

RALEIGH, Jan. 2.—Jacob Tickle of Alamance county is now harvesting lumber from a woodlot that he planted in pines with his own hands about forty years ago. Mr. Tickle believes in the wise use of farm woodland and recently forester at State College, visited his farm. Mr. Tickle said: "A little more than 40 years ago I settled on this place to make a living for myself and family. The farm had been abused and was badly washed and gullied. One field of 14 acres was in such bad condition that it was impossible for me to use it in planting. It was so poor that the former owner asked the tax assessor to relieve him of that part of his farm because it would not sell for the amount of the annual tax."

"I decided to reclaim this field with pines. At that time, there were few pines growing in this section of Alamance county so I went into another community and dug a quantity of pine seedlings to plant in this field. Some of the seedlings, I planted around among the gullies. On about half the area, I planted the trees in rows, somewhat like an orchard is set, with the pines about 28 to 30 feet apart. I started this planting in 1887 and added a little each winter until, the whole 14 acres was very well covered. After these scattered plantings grew large enough to make seed, the whole field was soon seeded to a thick stand. Today this field of waste land is as valuable, acre for acre, as any field on my farm."

Mr. Tickle stated that folks would hardly believe him when he told them in 1918, at which time his trees were but thirty years old, that he had cut enough lumber from the field to erect several necessary buildings on his field of timber is now making sufficient growth each year to pay the taxes on my whole farm. "And," says Mr. Tickle, "this

Kidnapper



William Edward Hickman, self-confessed kidnapper and slayer of 12-year-old Marian Parker of Los Angeles. Hickman was captured in Oregon after what is said to be the greatest man hunt the Pacific Coast has ever known.

Chevrolet Company Presents New Car

"Bigger And Better" Chevrolet Incorporates All Advantages Of "Most Beautiful" Chevrolet And Embodies Host Of Refinements.

Surpassing all its former achievements as a leader in the building of low cost transportation, the Chevrolet Motor company today announces the most distinctive low priced automobile of all time. The announcement today of a complete new line of Chevrolet cars follows immediately on the close of Chevrolet's greatest year when its volume of one million units made it the world's largest builder of automobiles, and presages a year of unexampled activity for the organization that has been the pioneer volume producer of gear shift motor cars.

Known as the "Bigger and Better" Chevrolet, the new car that goes on display throughout the United States today, not only succeeds the "Most Beautiful Chevrolet" but incorporates all the advantages that made the latter so popular and in addition embodies a host of refinements that combine to produce what General Motors officials believe will be the sensation of the automobile industry in 1928.

A quick picture of the new car that seems destined to write a new chapter into the history of the automobile business may be had by noting the following highlights of the 1928 Chevrolet: Extended wheelbase, greater speed and power, four wheel brakes, longer, roomier Fisher bodies, new Duco colors, thermostat cooling, shock absorbing springs, motor enclosures, and in-door lighting instrument panel and other advantages built in as a result of lessons learned through 13 years of constant progress.

The "Bigger and Better" Chevrolet owes its outstanding virtues to the manifold facilities at the disposal of the Chevrolet Motor company, including the General Motors Proving Ground, the General Motors Research laboratory, the Chevrolet experimental laboratory, the Chevrolet engineering department and the skill and resources of the Fisher body corporation.

Seven passenger cars, including five closed and two open types, comprise the line. Every driving requirement is cared for in the make up and appointments of the various body types. Beauty in appearance, performance in driving and economy in operation are the keynotes of the car that owes its every detail to withering tests of days, weeks and months under all types of weather, road and driving conditions. Every detail has been proved true in exhaustive tests. As a result, (Turn to page four please)

Miss Laurie Currie Weds Baptist Minister

Bride Taught School At Brogden During Fall Term; Young Couple Will Live At Wingate.

RAEFORD, Jan. 1.—A marriage of interest throughout the state took place Monday evening, December 26 at 3:30 o'clock in the Presbyterian church of Raeford, when Miss Laurie Currie became the bride of Rev. Coy Muckle, of Wingate. Dr. W. M. Fairley, pastor of the church, and Rev. C. C. Burris of Wingate performed the ceremony. The simple but impressive ring ceremony was used.

The church was artistically decorated with long leaf pines, potted plants and cathedral tapers. The altar was a mass of green lighted only by the soft yellow glow of the candles. Prior to the ceremony, a beautiful and appropriate musical program was rendered. Mrs. M. C. McLaughlin played "Londonderry Air" by F. Himmelreich. Miss Elizabeth Brewer sang "At Dawning" and "All For You." During the ceremony, Mrs. McLaughlin played very softly "Largo" from the "New World" Symphony by Dvark.

The wedding party entered to the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march. First came the ministers from the pastor's study and took their place at the altar. The ushers, brothers of the bride, W. M. Currie of New Bern, and H. A. Currie of Raeford, entered from the vestibule and took their places on either side of the ministers.

The bridal party entered from the left. First came the dame of honor, Mrs. W. M. Currie, of New Bern. She wore a blue georgette dinner dress and carried a shower bouquet of pink roses. The bridesmaid, Miss Eunice Currie, a sister of the bride, followed. She wore a beige georgette dinner dress and carried a shower bouquet of pink roses. The ringbearer, James Currie Burris, the bride's nephew, preceded the bride. He was handsomely dressed in a black velvet colonial dress suit and carried the ring in a pink rose.

The groom, with his best man, Fred Bryson of Marion, came from the pastor's study and met the bride at the altar where they were united in marriage. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Muckle left by motor for Paris, Ark., and other western points. After their return they will be at home in Wingate.

Mrs. Muckle is a beautiful and popular member of Raeford's younger set. She received her education at Flora Macdonald College and Cullowhee State Normal. Prior to her marriage she was a successful teacher in the Johnston county schools, having taught the fall term at Brogden school.

Mr. Muckle is a graduate of the Baptist Theological Seminary of Louisville, Ky. At present he is pastor of the Meadow Branch Baptist church of Wingate.

A great number of out of town guests were present. (Turn to page eight, please)

Aunt Roxie Opipes By Mc—



"Pro-high-bishon haz dun ruined de lil' brown jug an' fokes kin have gude times widout mean lickin'."