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COLLINS BURIED IN HIS CAVE OF DEATH

Dynamite Bomb Used to Seal the Perpetual Tomb; Flowers Replace Workers

Cave City, Ky., Feb. 19.—Sealed in his perpetual tomb, Floyd Collins sleeps tonight in peace. Buried alive he endured for days the terrifying solitude, praying that somehow he would escape an impending doom that always was his companion. Unable to longer withstand the tortures of body and spirit he died alone, trapped in the jaws of the cave whose wonders he discovered.

But above the sepulchre of that obscure unfortunate had been unfolded a news serial that enthralled the country for 17 days. The climax was reached Monday with the finding of the body. The epilogue was written yesterday.

The boom of detonating dynamite, the dull thud of huge boulders loosened from the centuries-old bed on the desolate hillside at they tumbled in and sealed the new pit was as the drawing of a colophon to the heroic work of the rescuers.

Yesterday a few flowers were strewn about the mouth of sand cave, and a few spectators wandered aimlessly about, replacing the mechanical equipment and the jaded workers of the day before.

NEWS NOTES OF STATE CAPITAL

Hearings on Revenue Bill Until Saturday; \$20,000,000 Road Bill Now Law; Other News

The joint finance committee plans to submit the revenue bill on Saturday. Hearings will be held each day until then on the various schedules, giving interested persons the opportunity to be heard. The proposed bill will increase the corporate income tax about 23 1-3 per cent; the tax on individual incomes would also be raised.

The Pool bill, which forbids the teaching of Darwinism in the State-supported schools, gained a victory Wednesday when it won on a motion to table by a vote of 53 to 49. The bill, under this vote, will come up squarely on its passage before the house.

The \$20,000,000 road bond bill was passed in the House Wednesday. The bill carried with it the bus regulation law. Now, no bus will be allowed to run on the highway which is more than 86 inches in width. However, those now above that width operating on the highways will have one year to reduce their width.

The senate has tabled the bill requiring horse-drawn vehicles to carry lights on public highways.

The same old constitutional convention bill has been introduced in the senate. The movement seems to have gained some ground, there being the lucky number of seven senators backing it. This bill provides that the question of convention or no convention shall be submitted to the people in August. Then, if ratified, an election is to be held to elect delegates in October, and the convention shall be held immediately and run for the term of 60 days.

INFANT DIES

Son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Jones, of Holly Springs, Buried Thursday

Laman E., the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Jones, of Holly Springs, died Wednesday night from an attack of pneumonia.

Rev. E. D. Dodd, pastor of the local Methodist Church, held the funeral yesterday, and the burial was at Reddicks Grove.

FAIR MANAGER HAS BIG PROGRAM IN PROSPECT FOR ROANOKE FAIR THIS YEAR; BETTER THAN EVER BEFORE

Exempt Hook and Line Fishermen from Tax

The bill licensing all fishermen of the State has been so amended that local fishermen who use only the hook and line or rod and reel do not have to procure a license and pay a tax.

The fishing laws have become so drastic that the netting or seining business has to procure license in some cases. The costs, however, is nominal. The law in purpose means to protect the fish at proper seasons to make fishing more profitable.

COOPER BEGINS 3-YEAR SENTENCE

Former President of State Bankers Association Left Yesterday For Atlanta Prison

The former president of the North Carolina Bankers' Association and a former member of the State Democratic committee, Thos. E. Cooper, of Wilmington, left the State yesterday for the Atlanta Penitentiary, where he will begin his three-year sentence imposed by Judge J. C. Kose, of Baltimore, during the special term of United States District Court after conviction on four counts charging violation of the bank laws, as a result of the failure of the Commercial National Bank, of Wilmington. He was accompanied to Atlanta by United States Marshal R. W. Ward, of Raleigh.

KEEP WINNING

Robersonville Girls Eliminate Farmville Tuesday Night by Score of 28-23

Robersonville, Feb. 20.—The Robersonville girls advanced to the third round in the championship series last Tuesday night by defeating Farmville on the latter's court, 28-23.

The game was by far the most exciting one the girls have played this season. After getting off to a poor start, in which our girls were outplayed during the first half, their rapid climb to victory in the second half made the game one of the most interesting for those present. During the greater part of the second half first one team and then the other would have the lead, which kept the large crowd in a continual state of excitement. The biggest thrill of the game for the local supporters was a brilliant rally staged by our girls in the last quarter, in which they gained a five-point lead and won a much-deserved victory. The greatest feature of the entire contest was the uphill fight which the Robersonville girls put up after the first quarter. By fast playing and good goal shooting, combined with a fine fighting spirit they overcame an eight-point lead and defeated a team that is almost as good as the best. No one member of the team deserves praise more so than the others, for the guards did their part in putting a check on Farmville scoring, with Ellen Everett doing the best work. But the fast forwards were the ones that held the attention of the spectators, for their fine scoring ability was a delight. E. Whitfield again led the scoring, but the other forwards—R. Whitfield and Varina Smith, did good work by getting a few goals themselves.

The next game in the series for the local girls will be with Woodland High School on Saturday night either at Woodland or on a neutral court. The whole town is proud of the record our girls are making and wish them much success in their future games.

In Town Wednesday

Miss Elizabeth Mixon, of Washington, was in town Wednesday.

Have your suit cleaned "the odorless way." Pope & Purvis.

Here on Business

Mr. John A. Getsinger, of Dardens, was in town Thursday attending to business affairs.

In Rocky Mount

Mrs. J. Lawrence Peel, Roy Gurganus, John W. Mannig, and L. C. Bennett are spending this afternoon in Rocky Mount.

Chamber of Commerce meeting

Monday night. You are invited, whether a member or not.

Why not buy from us oranges, bananas, tangerines. Watch us. Pope & Purvis.—Adv.

McDONALD'S SCOTCH HIGHLANDER BAND, GREATEST AGGREGATION OF BANDSMEN EVER BROUGHT SOUTH, ONE OF THE FREE ACTS; MANY OTHERS.

A special bulletin from H. M. Poe, manager of the Roanoke Fair, to the Enterprise gives an outline of the wonderful fair that he is planning for the people of this section for the week beginning November 2nd. He has recently returned from New York City where he has been to confer with the booking house of Wirth Hamid, the house that books and handles all the State fairs in the big circuit.

Through them he was able to get a line of free acts that have never been South before. All this year's free acts will be handled by them which insures their being the best.

Among the free acts booked is the Randow Trio, which is said to be the greatest comedy tumbling act on the stage today.

The World's Wonder Shows, a 25-car carnival, has closed a contract for the Roanoke Fair midway, and it is one of the biggest carnivals on the road. Mr. Poe, as he has proved in the past two years, knows good carnivals, and he promises another good and clean show this year.

One of the things that Mr. Poe was most enthusiastic about as a result of his efforts to get attractive features for his fair, was his good fortune to secure the McDonald Royal Scotch Highlanders Band, which is undoubtedly the greatest aggregation of bandsmen ever brought South.

A lady soloist and four specialists are with the band. Mr. Poe says that he thinks a fair without a good band is a failure, and he considers himself very fortunate in getting the McDonald Band.

A contract for the fireworks has been made, and there is no need to even tell anyone that the fireworks will be the best to be had, for they always are.

At a recent meeting of fair managers of eastern and central Carolina he date for the Roanoke Fair was set for the week of November 2.

"Last year a good fair—this year a great fair."

Favorable Report on Pay-Increase Bill

Washington, Feb. 20.—A favorable report is expected on the new salary bill, which increases the pay of the Vice President and cabinet officers to \$15,000 per year. The bill also provides for a raise for Senators and Congressmen from \$7,500 to \$10,000 a year.

NEGRO EXECUTED

Murderer of Chowan County Farmer Pays Penalty Wednesday

David Jones, the negro who waylaid, shot, and robbed Sam Small, a Chowan County farmer last August while returning from Edenton, was executed in the State prison Wednesday. George Russell, the accomplice of Jones, was fortunate enough to have his sentence commuted by Governor McLean, who acted upon the recommendation of the trial judge and the solicitor.

Mr. Small, who was a farmer living near the Eden House Ferry, was returning from Edenton, where he had sold watermelons, when he was lured, the only purpose of the killing being robbery.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

A. J. Manning, Pastor
Sunday school, 9.45 a. m.—W. C. Manning, superintendent.
Morning service, 11 a. m.
Evening service, 7.30 p. m.
A cordial welcome to all to worship with us at one or all of these services.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. E. D. Dodd, Pastor
Sunday school, 9.45 a. m.—R. A. Pope, superintendent.
Morning service, 11 a. m.
Evening service, 7.30 p. m.
An invitation to our services is extended to all.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday school, 9.45 a. m.—H. M. Stubbs, superintendent.
Bible class, 10 a. m.—Clayton Moore, teacher.
No church services Sunday.
The Rev. Stephen Gardner of Washington, will preach Wednesday night, February 25 (Ash Wednesday).
The public is invited.

Bing Will Address Meeting Here Tonight

Mr. A. E. Bing, secretary and treasurer of the North Carolina Agriculture Credit Corporation, will address the business men of Williamston tonight at 8 o'clock at Dunning's office.

Thousands of people were assisted throughout the State last year by the credit corporation, which was the first year that this corporation operated. They expect to very much enlarge their business this year. All people interested in financial assistance this year should be sure to hear Mr. Bing.

Don't forget the time—tonight, February, 20, 8 p. m., at Dunning's office.

BANK CASHIER IS DISCOVERED DEAD

In Spite of Numerous Wounds, Creedmoor Citizens Believe O. L. Mangum a Suicide

Creedmoor, Feb. 18.—Mysteriously the death of O. L. Mangum, aged 30, cashier of the Planters Bank & Trust Co., of Creedmoor, who was discovered early this morning lying on the floor of the bank with his own emptied revolver close at hand, and with bullet wounds, apparently from the same weapon, through his heart, neck, and temple.

In spite of the numerous wounds found on the body of the dead man at least two of which were sufficient to have caused instantaneous death, it is the opinion of the chief of police of Creedmoor and of other citizens of that town that Mr. Mangum took his own life. They believe that when he failed to kill himself with the first shot that he fired again and again. He had been struck by five bullets, an examination showed. There were no signs of robbery or attempted robbery at the bank.

Although suicide is generally believed to have been the cause of Mr. Mangum's death citizens of Creedmoor can assign no reason for the rash act. There is no evidence of any shortage in the bank, which was recently examined by State bank examiners and found to be in good condition. Mr. Mangum was also apparently in the best of health.

The body was discovered by Mr. Lyon, a bookkeeper at the bank, when he arrived for work at 8.15 this morning. No shots had been heard. The revolver with all chambers bearing evidence of having been recently discharged, was not the one which is kept at the bank but one which was identified as belonging to Mr. Mangum.

Mr. Mangum had been in the employ of the bank for about six years. He was married and is survived by his wife and small daughter. Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Mangum was the brother of Mrs. R. A. Pope, of Williamston, and the sympathy of the community is extended her in her bereavement.

DR. DOWELL VINDICATED

College Trustees Declare Charges Against Former Williamstonian Without Foundation

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 19.—Declaring that the charges made against Dr. Spright Dowell, president of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, by a group of alumni are unsupported by proof and are without foundation in fact the board of trustees of the institution yesterday adopted resolutions expressing esteem for Dr. Dowell as a man and confidence in his ability as a college executive.

Doctor Dowell was once a resident of Williamston, at the time his father, Rev. Geo. J. Dowell, was pastor of the Baptist Church here.

Friends of his and of his parents are glad to see Mr. Dowell vindicated of the charges made by certain of the alumni, charging incompetency and gross neglect of duty.

LOCAL GIRLS LOSE

Loss to Greenville High School Last Night by Score of 28 to 8

The Williamston High School girls were defeated again last night by the Greenville High School by the score of 28 to 8. The game was one-sided throughout, Williamston never being able to really get in the game.

Owing to adverse circumstances the girls' team has not been able to practice daily. We have some good material and predict success for them when they get a little more in the game.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING IS POORLY ATTENDED; ANOTHER ONE CALLED TO BE HELD MONDAY NIGHT

ONLY NINE MEMBERS RESPOND TO CALL MEETING FOR ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND TO TRANSACT OTHER IMPORTANT BUSINESS.

The annual meeting of the chamber of commerce was called to be held at the offices of Messrs. Dunning, Moore & Haughton Thursday night at eight o'clock.

Although the president, Mr. George H. Harrison, had well advertised the meeting and had written many personal letters to individual members, just nine people were present.

In gratitude for their presence he print their names:

- W. G. Lamb.
- George H. Harrison.
- Leslie Fowden.
- Dr. J. F. Thigpen.
- Rev. E. D. Dodd.
- L. C. Bennett.
- W. C. Manning.
- K. B. Crawford.
- B. S. Courtney.

Those present were overcome by such a depression that it was decided to adjourn until Monday night, February 23, at 8 o'clock.

Truly it was a scene of sadness to see our people display such indifference that they could not go to the annual meeting of one of the most useful organizations of the town.

It may be that the people were too busy to take the time off to attend the meeting, and if the business of the town is good enough to satisfy the business interests, then we need no chamber of commerce, and it is good that they did not attend.

OPTIMISTIC

L. L. Holliday Says Growers Working With Good Spirit on 1925 Crop

Mr. J. L. Holliday, of Macedonia, was a caller at the office Thursday. Mr. Holliday represents the Phillips Fertilizer Co., of Washington, as farm manager and salesman. He says that while he finds farmers somewhat inconvenienced from the short crop of 1924 they are full of optimism and are going to work with a good spirit on the 1925 crop.

To Establish Federal Co-op Marketing Board

Washington, Feb. 20.—The House Agricultural Committee has completed its work on the bill establishing a Federal cooperative marketing board. The bill will now come before the House for passage.

NASSEF'S BIG SALE

Will Begin Saturday Morning and Continue for Ten Days

The Nassef Department Store will start a big sale tomorrow morning, an announcement of which appears in this issue of The Enterprise.

The management has informed the Enterprise that it will be one of the biggest events their store has ever attempted and that new goods will be reduced along with the others. A look at the ad will convince our readers that there are some real bargains offered.

Mr. and Mrs. Minga Return to Petersburg

Mr. Fabius L. Minga, with Mrs. Minga, left Wednesday for their home in Petersburg. They came here Thanksgiving to visit Mrs. Mary F. Peel, and while here Mr. Minga was taken ill and since that time has been confined to his room. His many friends here, who will be glad to know that he is improving, will wish for him a speedy recovery of health very soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Minga were driven to Rocky Mount by Mr. Joseph Everett. Dr. J. H. Saunders, his attending physician, accompanied him to Petersburg.

Visiting Brother Here

Mr. Thomas R. Getsinger, of Johnson City, Tenn., was in town yesterday visiting his brother, J. Sam Getsinger, and shaking hands with friends. Mr. Getsinger reports conditions good in his section.

Returned Yesterday

Mr. T. F. Harrison
By error we stated that Mr. T. F. Harrison returned last week from northern markets, but he arrived yesterday after having spent two weeks in the wholesale houses of New York.

New stock of the latest and most up-to-date styles has already begun to arrive, and the spring opening of Harrison Bros. & Co. will soon take place.

Town Team to Play Washington Tonight

Following a game between the Washington and Elizabeth City High School teams being played in the State championship series, the Williamston Town Team will play the Washington Town in the John H. Small School Building in Washington tonight.

It is expected that a large number of fans will accompany our players.

BANKERS TO MEET AT WASHINGTON

Local Bankers Will Attend Gathering of Group 1 Monday; Dr. Biggs Is On Program

Officers of local banks will attend the meeting of Group 1 of the North Carolina Bankers' Association at Washington Monday, February 23.

This meeting is held annually on the 22d of February, and last year the association was entertained in Williamston. This year the meeting is being held in Washington, and the banker members are anticipating a good meeting and a fine time in that city.

Dr. John D. Biggs, president of the Farmers & Merchants Bank, will respond to the address of welcome which will be made by Mayor C. H. Sterling.

Col. John F. Bruton, of Wilson, a director of the Fifth Federal Reserve District, will make the principal address of the session.

BEAR GRASS

News Items and Personals of Southwestern Martin County

Messrs. John W. and Melvin Bailey and Charlie Rogers motored to Washington Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bailey and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Anderson near Farmville.

Messrs. LeRoy Ausborn and Cliver Whitaker and Misses Mary and Minnie Bailey were out riding Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Joe Roberson was the guest of Miss Martha Bailey Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Willis Harris was the guest of Miss Edna Hampton Saturday night.

Mr. Ophus Bailey and Misses Mary and Martha Bailey attended the Valentine Party at Old Ford Friday night.

Friends of Miss Manda Bailey will be sorry to learn that she is quite ill. Miss Fannie Cowen was the guest of Miss Daisy Cowen Saturday night.

Mr. Bert Harris was the guest of Miss Martha Bailey Saturday night.

Mr. Willis Harris and Miss Edna Hampton were out riding Sunday.

Miss Mahala Ballance was the guest of Misses Lillie and Agnes Chissey Wednesday night.

Mr. Oscar Jackson and Misses Mamie Harris and Sadie Mae Hedley were the guests of Miss Mary Bailey Saturday afternoon.

Messrs. Lee Hodges, Henry Roberson, and Garland Jackson were the guests of Miss Mary Bailey Sunday night.

We are glad to learn that Mr. Joe Crisp, who has been sick, is improving.

Assist in Ordination

Rev. W. G. Hall, Rev. R. L. Shirley, Bob Shirley, and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Fleming attended the deacon's ordination service at the Baptist Church in Washington Wednesday evening.

The Revs. Hall and Shirley assisted the local pastor, C. T. Plyson, in the services.

Chamber of Commerce meeting

Monday night. Don't forget the hour, 8 o'clock.

Attend Basketball Game

Messrs. James Herbert Ward and Frank Carstarphen attend the basketball game in Greenville last night.

The Williamston Chamber of Commerce will try to hold its annual meeting Monday night, Feb. 23, at 8 p. m.

Business Visitor

Mr. Sherron Corey of Griffins Township was a business visitor here this morning.

Mrs. W. T. Hunter will sell cakes and chicken salad at the store of F. K. Hodges tomorrow. See her for salad and cakes for Sunday.—Adv.

Bring that suit in with you and let us clean and press it up for you. Pope & Purvis.

BAPTIST CHURCH TRAINING SCHOOL

Mr. Benjamin F. Beach and Miss Elma Farrabow, of Raleigh, Will Have Charge

A school for increased attendance and efficiency, both in the Sunday school and young people's meetings will begin Sunday and continue through Friday at the local Baptist church.

Mr. Benjamin F. Beach and Miss Elma Farrabow, of Raleigh, who will conduct the school, will arrive Saturday and will be the guests of Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Shirley during their stay here.

The entire membership of the church and school are requested to be present Sunday and meet Mr. Beach and Miss Farrabow. They will then tell us for what purpose and for whom the school is being conducted. Don't miss hearing them in the first service Sunday morning. We ought to have 200 in the Sunday school that day. Remember it is Washington's Birthday, and the birthday of our training school also. Let's celebrate both by doing our duty to our Christ and our church, to our visitors and our young people, and to ourselves. We are looking for you. Do not disappoint us.—Reported.

PREPARING FOR SILVER JUBILEE

Baracas and Philatheas Adopt "Flying Squadron" Plan to Advertise Raleigh Convention

The Baracas and Philatheas of North Carolina are looking forward to the "Silver Jubilee" Convention to be held in Raleigh on June 11, 12, 13, and 14. To this end the executive committees of both associations met with the local convention committee at Raleigh January 23.

To reach every class and extend to them a personal invitation to attend the convention will take lots of work and advertising. The executive committees adopted the "Flying Squadron" plan to advertise, and groups will be formed all over the State whose duty it will be to visit every class within a certain distance and invite them to Raleigh. Mrs. Z. H. Kose and J. E. Harrell, with a number of others, were appointed captains of squadrons.

J. E. Harrell has begun an active campaign in behalf of the work. He visited the Baraca class taught by the Rev. J. H. Matthew in the Windsor Baptist Church last Sunday, and he reports much interest shown.

ENTERS STATE MEET

Everetts High School Our for State Basketball Honors

Everetts, Feb. 20.—The Everett High School has entered the special high school basketball contest for non-credited high schools. A conference of the eastern faculty managers to arrange the schedule of the eastern championship series was held at the Harbor Hotel, Raleigh, Wednesday, February 18. The schools in the eastern series are Aurora, Broadway, Duke, Everetts, Golston, Hollister, Inland, Jasper, Pine Level, South River, and Spring Hill. Everetts meets Aurora in Washington next Tuesday night, February 24. The winner of this game meets Jasper at Vanceboro Wednesday night.

BAPTIST NOTES

Program of Services and News of the Local Church

Sunday school, 9.45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m.
Special evening service, 7.30 p. m.
Our Sunday school is still climbing. An attendance of 177 with an offering of nearly \$10 was the record for last Sunday. Fine congregations at both hours of church worship. Our training school, which begins Sunday, will be inaugurated Sunday night with a special patriotic program by our young people. The Sunbeams, Junior and Intermediate will participate and a full attendance of each organization is desired. The meeting is open to the public and everybody is cordially invited. Both pastor and people do and will always heartily welcome you to all the services of our church.

Banks Will be Closed Monday, February 23

The banks will be closed Monday in observance of the birthday of George Washington. This is a legal holiday and is also a red-letter day with local banks on account of the annual meeting of Group 1 of the Bankers Association.

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TOMORROW
(Saturday)
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TO EVERYBODY