

SISTER OF LOCAL DENTIST SHOTS SELF THRU HEAD

Mrs. T. D. Maness, of Concord, Sister of Dr. William Parker, Inflicts Probably Fatal Wound

AT BROTHER'S HOME

Act Attributed to Despondency Over Death of Husband Last Fall; Had Been on Visit Here

Despondent over the death of her husband, which occurred last fall, Mrs. T. D. Maness, of Concord, shot herself through the head at the home of her brother, Dr. William Parker, dentist, on Riverside avenue, this afternoon shortly before 2 o'clock. She was still breathing at 2:30 o'clock, but no hope was held forth for her recovery.

Mrs. Maness, about 45 years of age, had been visiting Dr. Parker for about a week, together with a sister, Mrs. A. H. Wicks, of Richmond. Mrs. Maness had been in ill health for several months, and her brother and sister had hoped that the change of scene and surroundings would benefit her.

Mrs. Wicks had just come into the front yard for a pitcher of water, when the report of the weapon, a German automatic Luger pistol, rang out. T. J. Markham, attorney, who lives just across the street, also heard it, and together they hastened into the house. They found Mrs. Maness lying stretched out on the floor, the pistol beside her. Apparently she had shot herself through the mouth, the bullet issuing through the top of her head, which was badly mangled.

Physicians were summoned hastily, and Doctors I. Fearling, C. B. Williams, R. L. Kendrick and Howard J. Combs arrived in a few minutes. Although Mrs. Maness apparently was beyond medical aid, they went to work at once in an effort to restore her to consciousness.

Dr. Parker is highly popular here, and the entire community was shocked and saddened as news of the tragedy spread through the city this afternoon.

Look Happily Toward Tuesday Night Affair

"Gosh, can we really wear knickers to the party? Say that'll be great!"

Thus did a resident Country Club member express himself in regard to the freedom and informality to be the keynote of the Vacation Entertainment at the club Tuesday night. It is a simple idea but one that seems to be universal in its appeal,—that of suiting the party to the guests instead of the guests to the party. No suffering males are expected to appear in the hot-weather martyrdom of "billed" shirts and the ladies are equally at liberty to be comfortable.

Members of the club who do not dance have declared themselves delighted at the prospect of an evening of entertainment in which they will have full part, while those who trip the light fantastic will have their usual opportunity to indulge in this popular pastime.

COMMUNITY REVIVAL MAKES A FINE START

The Community Revival at the Wekiva High School got off to a good start last night. Several hundred people from all over the County were present, and every church south of the Elizabeth City-Hertford Highway was represented by good delegations. Dan Morgan is leading the choir which in a few days will be worth going many miles to hear. Rev. J. M. Everett, pastor of Salem Baptist Church, preached a splendid sermon from the text "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."

Rev. A. B. Crumpler, an evangelist known far and wide will arrive today and will preach tonight at the 8:00 o'clock service.

Beginning Tuesday and thereafter he will preach at 10:00 a. m., and at 8:00 p. m. This is a meeting for all denominations and we crave the hearty co-operation of all the people of the county that a splendid revival of religion may result," says Rev. W. T. Phipps.

COTTON MARKET

New York, July 26.—Cotton futures opened today at the following levels: Oct. 17.85, Dec. 17.76, Jan. 17.77, Mar. 17.95, May 18.05, New York, July 26.—Spot cotton closed steady, middling 19.20, advance of 10 points. Futures closing bid: October 17.85, December 17.72, January 17.74, March 17.94, May 18.10.

Octet Of Devotees Of Fickle Deity Land In Court

Eight admitted devotees of the goddess of chance, and one who disclaimed interest in such, were held before the bar in recorder's court Monday morning as the result of a raid by police on a combined poker, crap and "skin" game in the woods back of the gas plant late Saturday afternoon. The crowd included one white man, Miller Taylor, who was fined \$10 and costs. The others were colored.

The negroes who pleaded guilty were John Davis Banks, Levy Spruill, Haywood Whitehurst, John Thomas Johnson, Willis Whitehurst, Will Newby (alias Horse), and Isaac Brothers. Enoch Williams, also colored, was arrested also, on the basis of an accusation that he had been in the game before the officers arrived, but denied the charge.

John Thomas Johnson was the only one of the defendants who claimed Williams was a participant. The others, when questioned, answered evasively. Lacking support for Johnson's testimony, Trial Justice Sawyer dismissed the charge against Williams.

A case against Cardwell Whitehurst, colored, in which the defendant was charged with possession and sale of liquor, was continued to Tuesday morning when the defendant demanded trial by a jury. A quantity of liquor was alleged to have been seized by police in a raid on his home on Shepard street.

Will Overton and Al Divers, charged with an affray resulting from an argument over money, were fined \$5 and costs each, it appearing that neither had suffered serious injury in the encounter.

A suspended sentence of four months in jail was imposed on Marvin Sample, charged with abandonment and non support of his wife, the suspension being made conditioned upon his paying her \$7 a week for her support, with the case left open so that the amount might be increased later, if that was found advisable.

Will Horton, submitting to a charge of simple drunkenness, was fined \$5 and costs.

The docket was concluded with two tax cases, in which Richard Nixon and Nathaniel Brickhouse, both colored, were charged with failure to list their earthly possessions with the constituted authorities. They were let off upon payment of the taxes and court costs.

MOODY MAINTAINS HIS LEAD IN TEXAS

Dallas, July 26.—Dan Moody, attorney general, maintained a majority of 1,145 over the field in the Democratic gubernatorial race when returns from 238 of the 250 counties in the state, including 56 complete, had been tabulated today. He had a lead of approximately 110,000 votes over "Ma" Ferguson, his nearest rival.

Dallas, July 26.—Attorney General Dan Moody is leading all opponents in the Democratic primary and indications are that he will win the nomination. Late last night returns gave him 338,957, and Mrs. Miriam Ferguson 230,095. The three other candidates were trailing in the background, and Moody led his total opposition with enough votes to win.

The primary in Texas is equal to an election and Mrs. Ferguson, had said beforehand that she would step out of the gubernatorial at once if Moody won the primary.

PUBLIC HERE INVITED TO OPENING OF HOTEL

Every one in Elizabeth City is invited to attend the formal opening of the new Garrett Hotel in Ahoskie tomorrow. The invitation having been tendered by J. Haywood Duke, manager, who is a well known Elizabeth City youngster and the son of Mrs. Mamie Duke, who operates the Duke Inn.

The festivities will begin early in the morning. During the day there will be music, and refreshments will be served all corners. A dance will be given at night.

Inasmuch as this is his home town, Mr. Duke is especially desirous of welcoming all from Elizabeth City who can possibly attend the opening. The Garrett Hotel is a 64-room structure, and is described as one of the most attractive in the State.

PLANNING FOR FAIR

Plans for the District Fair to be held here in October will be taken up at a meeting of the board of directors of the Albemarle District Fair Association, to be held at the Chamber of Commerce Friday night at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. J. Stuart Hopkins of Richmond is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Templeman on West Main street.

SON OF LINCOLN DIES AT SUMMER VERMONT HOME

Robert Todd Lincoln Had Served as War Secretary, Minister to Great Britain and President of Pullman

OF RETIRING NATURE

Death of Father Saddened Him, and He Feared People Might Think He Was Capitalizing Kinship

Manchester, Vermont, July 26. Robert T. Lincoln, only surviving son of President Abraham Lincoln, was found dead in bed at his summer home here today.

His death was discovered by servants who went to call him. Mr. Lincoln who had served as Secretary of War, minister to Great Britain and for years as president of the Pullman Company, of late had been in feeble health.

He would have been eighty-three years old on August 1.

Fate and circumstance so united that Robert Todd Lincoln, last of the Great Emancipator's immediate family to bear the name, was present at the assassination of two American presidents and within sound of the shots that mortally wounded a third.

When young Lincoln was graduated from Harvard in 1864, his father granted his request to enter the Army. As a captain and member of General Grant's staff, he witnessed the fall of Petersburg and the surrender of General Lee at Appomattox.

Hurrying to Washington, the captain arrived there on April 14 and gave his father the first definite news of the surrender. On the evening of the same day, he was in Ford's theater when John Wilkes Booth shot and fatally wounded the president.

Later in life, Lincoln, although adverse to holding public office, became secretary of war in President Garfield's cabinet. He was supposed to accompany the chief executive on a trip to the New England states, July 2, 1881, but a last minute development prevented. He went to the station to explain just as Garfield shot Garfield.

Lincoln was among the many prominent men invited to the Buffalo exposition in 1901 and was nearby, September 6, when Leon Czolozar, an anarchist fired twice at President William McKinley from close range, one of the bullets causing the executive's death eight days later.

After this, Lincoln avoided public association with presidents and once, when a friend asked if he would attend a presidential function, he replied:

"No, I'm not going and they'd better not invite me, because there is a certain fatality about presidential functions when I am present."

Robert was Abraham Lincoln's first child, born August 1, 1843 in Springfield, Illinois. He not only was the eldest of five children, but he outlived them all. Before attending Harvard, he was a student in the University of Illinois and Phillips Academy, Exeter, New Hampshire.

Inheriting virtually none of the physical characteristics of his father, Lincoln also was widely different in other respects. He preferred the practice of law to politics and the glamor of public office and finally became head of the Pullman Company after being its counselor for many years.

Besides serving in Garfield's cabinet, however, Lincoln was minister to Great Britain four years under President Harrison. Previously, he had been mentioned for the presidency, but discouraged efforts in his behalf.

His retiring nature sometimes made it appear to many that he was taciturn, but his close friends described him as a "warm-hearted, lovable, charming gentleman." He was a delightful conversationalist, a great raconteur and if he knew his companions well, he would talk without reserve.

"I think that in his early days those who met him talked so much about his father and expected him to chat on the subject that he withdrew into a shell of reticence, the protecting confines of which he was capitalizing the fact he was the president's."

On September 24, 1868, he married Miss Mary Harlan, daughter of James Harlan, who served as senator from Iowa. Three children were born to them, two girls and a boy, Jack Lincoln, who died while attending school in France.

Killed By Live Wire

Hickory, July 26.—C. Russell Pope, aged 23, lineman for the Southern Power Company, was instantly killed today when he came in contact with a live wire.

Rev. M. F. Booe has returned after visiting relatives at Winston-Salem and Louisville, Kentucky. He was accompanied to Louisville by Mrs. Boe who will be there the month of August.

Horrors of Lake Denmark Catastrophe Pictured By Local Boy Who Was There

Injured While Aiding in Rescue Work, William T. Winslow Returns Home With Graphic Account of Terrible Disaster in New Jersey Hills

A vivid first-hand account of the terrific catastrophe at Lake Denmark, New Jersey, on Saturday, July 10, in which more than 100 lives were lost, is given by William T. Winslow, of this city, who served for three days and nights as a volunteer worker in the devastated area until he, himself, was struck down by a heavy stone which was dislodged by the blasts, and rolled upon him.

Young Winslow is a son of Patrolman and Mrs. Frank T. Winslow, of this city. At the time of the disaster, he was employed by the Jersey Central Power & Light Company as a salesman of gas appliances and stoves, and was stationed in Dover, New Jersey, six miles from the fated Government arsenal at Lake Denmark. He is known to his friends here as "Bill."

The stone which struck the Elizabeth City boy rolled upon him while he and other members of his rescue party were crouched in a ravine, shells screaming above them, and exploding on every hand. The boulder, which he estimated weighed at least 500 pounds, struck him on the right hip, bruising it badly, and grazing the entire side of his leg.

"No, I didn't stop that stone," he smiled, when asked about it. "If I had, I wouldn't be here today."

Blast Startles City

Bill was sitting in the cafeteria of the Mansion House Hotel, in Dover, ordering supper when the lightning bolt struck Magazine No. 2, at Lake Denmark, loaded with TNT, the deadly powerful explosive which started the catastrophe.

"All the windows of the cafeteria were smashed in," he declared, "and the waitress who was serving me fainted. I helped carry her into the street as we all rushed out to see what had happened. We went down the street a little distance to the corner, and in the distance we could see flames rising high in the air. We thought a gas plant in that direction had exploded, and the danger was all over."

He and several of the others returned to the Mansion House. Just as they were about to enter the door, he stated, there was a second terrible detonation, and the cafeteria itself caved in. The crowds on the streets were thrown into panic, and confusion indescribable reigned throughout the city.

Buildings were toppling on every hand, and the screams of women and children echoed through the streets. That blast had wrecked Magazine No. 1, also loaded with TNT.

Bill and a number of the others, realizing that something must have happened to some storage point for high explosives, made their way to the Government arsenal in Dover, and there were informed that lightning had struck the arsenal at Lake Denmark. They were told that all available fire departments in that part of New Jersey had been called upon for help, as well as the New York City department.

Answer Call for Aid

Later, the call came for volunteers for rescue parties in the stricken area, and Bill was one of those who offered to go. He was pressed into service. For three days and nights he worked a space of time that seems to him like a nightmare.

"A marine who had seen service in the Argonne told me that the explosions at Lake Denmark were ten times worse than anything he had experienced in France," Bill commented, in telling of the terrible havoc wrought. "An immense area was devastated. Six cities the size of Elizabeth City were destroyed, and many smaller places, too. Hundreds of people

Here Is The Prize Winner For "THEY NEVER KNEW" Now You Try One

What was it "They Never Knew?"

Here are some of the answers submitted by Advance readers in answer to Saturday's offer of \$1 for the best "They Never Knew."

"They were kissing each other good night, but They Never Knew the old man was watching."

"They winked at her as she passed, but They Never Knew that Hubby was right behind them."

Here is today's prizewinner:

"They put a tack in the teacher's shoe but They Never Knew she had a cork leg."

The \$1 goes to Miss Billie B. Melick, 162 Colonial Avenue.

Now you try one before tomorrow's Advance goes to press. "They Never Knew" is the title of Tom Sims' uproariously funny serial which begins in The Daily Advance next Monday.

What was it "They Never Knew"? Write it to the "They Never Knew" editor of The Advance in one short sentence and win the \$1 tomorrow.

DARE FOLK BUSY PREPARING FOR HISTORIC EVENT

Pier 300 Feet Long Being Erected at Point Near Old Fort Raleigh, for Landing of Crowds

BAR PROFITTEERING

Entertainment Committee Lets Concession for Feeding With Understanding About Prices

Roanoke Island and all Dare County are astir with preparations for Home Coming Week, which will begin Monday, August 16, and whose principal event will be the observance of Virginia Dare Day on Wednesday, the 18th, reports D. Victor Meekins, of this city, publicity chairman for the event.

Work was begun today on the erection of a pier 300 feet long and 10 feet wide off Old Fort Raleigh, where the Virginia Dare Day events will be staged. Mr. Meekins announced, adding that the throngs of visitors expected there that day will land at that point, for the most part. Also, a speaker's stand is being built close by the site of the ancient fort.

The entertainment committee for Home Coming Week, headed by Miss Mabel A. Evans, of Manteo, is preparing to entertain 300 official visitors on Virginia Dare's anniversary. These will include Sir Esme Howard, British ambassador to the United States and principal speaker of the day, Governor Meekins and former Governor Morrison, of North Carolina, and many other notables.

There will be no profiteering in canteens and drinkables — at least, of the legal sort — on Roanoke Island on the day of the big celebration, the committee in charge having looked after that by letting the concession for feeding the visitors to a Manteo concern with a strict understanding as to the prices to be charged for various items. Sandwiches, for instance, will go at 10 cents each, and cold soda will be sold at the same figure. Ice cream cones will demand a nickel only.

In order to assure adequate facilities for those who decide to spend additional time in the historic and scenic lower sound country, hundreds of residents of the island have agreed to throw open their homes to them, to supplement Manteo's limited hotel and boarding house facilities. Reasonable rates are guaranteed by the committee on arrangements.

Adequate boat transportation from this city to Roanoke Island is promised. Several steamers already been arranged for, including the Annie L. Vansiver, of the North River Line, the Trenton, of the Eastern Carolina Transportation Company, and the O. J. Jones, of the Wanchese Line. Others are being held in reserve, to be speedily pressed into service if they are needed.

Arrangements have been completed with the assistance of Commandant Coontz, of the Fifth Naval District, at Norfolk, for the 24 piece Naval Band to supply melody for the celebration. The Elizabeth City Boy's Band is expected to attend also, though rather in the capacity of youngsters on an outing than as musical entertainers.

TESTIFIES ABOUT COST SENATORIAL CAMPAIGN

Chicago, July 26.—Frank L. Smith testified today before the Senate campaign committee that his successful fight for the Illinois Republican Senatorial nomination cost approximately \$250,000, of which \$200,000 was in Chicago traction magnets, gave \$100,000.

Charges reported to the Senate by Senator Caraway, Democrat of Arkansas, were that Smith's campaign had cost \$2,000,000 and that more than \$1,000,000 had been spent on behalf of Senator McKinley, defeated.

PINCHOT ADDRESSES GOVERNORS' MEETING

Cheyenne, Wyo., July 26.—The United States is faced with three outstanding problems, law enforcement, conservation of natural resources, and control of national-wide monopolies, Governor Clifford Pinchot of Pennsylvania told the Twentieth Annual Conference of Governors in an address today.

He classed law enforcement as the "moral problem of the nation" and conservation of natural resources as the greatest economic problem of the United States.

Sixteen governors and their families were present for the initial session.

Mrs. R. L. Barnes of Richmond and Dr. R. L. Hudkins of Farmville, Virginia, have returned home after being the guests of Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Templeman.

Meet Mr. Weed



This, gentle reader, is Jimson Weed, dashing stylist and man-about-town from Oneonta, Ohio. He is the hero of one of the greatest adventures ever recorded. It started when he dug up a well for doughnut holes and fell into the well while he was carrying it. Then he fell in love, but, really, you must read "They Never Knew." It starts in The Advance next Monday.

Feminine Motorist Mixes Pedals And Crash Results

A feminine driver who mistook the low gear pedal for the brake on her Ford sedan, crashed into the rear of a buggy this morning shortly after 9 o'clock, knocking to the ground two elderly gentlemen, E. V. Davenport and J. J. White, and braving one of the braces beneath the body of the vehicle. Neither of the two men were hurt.

The accident occurred on Martin street, beside the M. Leigh Sheep woman's wear store. The lady driver had driven up, intending to park there, when she selected the wrong pedal. She was accompanied by another young woman, and each was conveying a small child. The two ladies promptly accompanied Messrs. Davenport and White to a repair shop, and paid for the damage to the buggy.

Both ladies declined to give their names, saying they were afraid their husbands would beat them if they learned of the accident. Not wishing to be a party to anything like that, the representative of The Daily Advance who covered the smashup dropped the matter then and there. The car was from out of town.

Messrs. Davenport and White were in the act of placing a small seeding implement in the buggy when the crash occurred, one being on each side of the vehicle. Both declared emphatically that they were not hurt.

Nags Head Party Hits Rough Seas

Excursionists who journeyed to Nags Head aboard the steamer Annie L. Vansiver yesterday found it exceedingly rough going on the trip down, when they encountered "The Alligator," outside the mouth of Pasquotank River, they reported upon their return last night.

Whipped by a stiff wind, "The Alligator" was a mass of frothing waters as the Vansiver essayed the trip across Albemarle Sound. It wasn't long before parking space at the dock rail was at considerable premium, but in the midst of the trip, a huge wave broke over the rail, drenching a number who had ceased to care, for the time being, what happened next, and knocking over a number of others who were sitting in chairs on the deck.

The rough weather subsided after "The Alligator" had been passed, and the remainder of the trip was serene enough.

For the information of those who are unfamiliar with the waters between here and Nags Head, "The Alligator" is that troubled spot in Albemarle Sound where clash the waters of Pasquotank River, flowing south, and of Alligator River, flowing northwardly out of the moonshining terrain of Dare County's mainland.

CRANFORD TRIAL HAS BEGUN THIRD WEEK

Albemarle, July 26.—Delayed in opening for more than an hour this morning because of heavy rain, the trial of N. C. Cranford, charged with murder of two convicts, began its third week at 11 o'clock.

Haywood Parker, former guard, testified that the charges that Carl Meadows, white prisoner, died of cruelty were untrue.

Four physicians were next sworn by the defense. Park Meadows told the jury he came to testify unsummoned as he was anxious to refute the charges against Cranford.

COOLIDGE SAYS TREASURY SHOWS WHAT IS WHAT

Points Significantly to Records As Best Answer to Dispute Between Mellon and British Chancellor

WHY BORROWED?

General Purpose of Prosecuting the War Was Real Reason and U. S. Did Not Demand Accounting

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President Coolidge rather significantly points to the records in the Treasury Department as the best answer to the dispute that has arisen between Secretary Mellon and the British chancellor of the exchequer over the manner in which the money lent by the United States to Great Britain during the war was spent.

The question has become complicated because in Great Britain a certain impression has been cultivated by British officials to the effect that borrowings from America were simply to cover advances made by the British to their allies. The fact that the effect of the transactions was to bolster up British exchange may be a subject for debate merely as an academic matter. The real issue is that the money was borrowed from the United States for the general purpose of prosecuting the war and certain statements were made to the Treasury officials at that time as to the purpose of the borrowings. Some of these statements were oral and some in writing, but they all constitute a record to which Secretary Mellon has had access and on which his public pronouncements are based.

If the present British government discovers in Mr. Mellon's statement various things that it chooses to term "inaccuracies," then the conclusion is inescapable that the British records do not correspond with the statements made on this side of the Atlantic during the war.

This is not altogether surprising because, after all, the United States did not demand any accounting from the British as to what was subsequently done with the funds advanced. Much of the money was spent in America in connection with munitions and food purchases. Some of it may have been used to pay interest on private loans previously floated by the British in America. The point is that it was possible for the funds to be transferred from one place to another in the intricate process of financing which developed between Great Britain and the United States on the one hand and between the British and their allies on the other.

What the British officials desire to have their own people think was the status of British credit during the war, is one thing and what actually happened to the money after American officials were told the general purposes of the loans may be quite another. British officials now are saying that but for the money they had to make their allies the London government would have been able to finance its own part in the war without borrowing from America. There is no accusation against the British for presenting their own version of the loan transactions. Nor would any controversy have arisen if the British had not at this time desired to make it clear that they are more generous toward the Allies, especially the French, than is the United States government.

The upshot of the controversy will be the publication of all the records. The first thing that will happen when Congress reconvenes will be the adoption of a resolution calling for all communications and data on the subject. Had it not been for this dispute the Secretary of the Treasury would have been compelled by international courtesy to say that it was not "compatible with the public interest" to make known the details of the correspondence. Since Great Britain has publicly questioned the American records, the Treasury Department will be compelled to make all the documents in its possession in deference to the wish of Congress.

There is some talk of making public the records now but the disposition is to see how far action will be forced by the public statements of the British Treasury. The whole thing is merely another example of how governments are compelled for political reasons to tell their people one thing and their ambassadors across the sea something else, as the true motive for their acts.

PHYSICIANS STUDY CHILDREN'S WOES

Saunders, July 26.—More than 75 physicians from all parts of the South were here today attending the annual session of the Southern Pediatric Seminary held for the purpose of studying children's diseases.