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71 N. C. COAL MINERS KILLED BY EXPLOSION

Families of Victims Present a Scene as they Gather to Await the Burial of Bodies to the Surface

Raleigh, May 27.—Seventy-one men, all of whom are thought to be dead, were entombed by a gas explosion at the mine of the Carolina Coal company, eight miles northwest of Sanford, shortly before noon today. At four o'clock this afternoon none of the bodies had been recovered, but workmen had penetrated the shaft far enough to see five or six bodies. Gas fumes, however, prevented close approach. The interior of the mine at that hour was said to be on fire.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

On Sunday, May 17th, the congregation of the Farmville Presbyterian church celebrated the first anniversary of the coming of its Pastor, Rev. N. N. Fleming, Jr.

Both Pastor and people are very thankful indeed for the splendid work which has been accomplished since Mr. and Mrs. Fleming came. The following comparisons will show that they have just cause for rejoicing.

One year ago there were fifty-three at Sunday School. This year, on the day of the anniversary, there were ninety-six present, not counting three "Cradle Rollers" who came in for their certificates of membership in the Sunday school.

The Women's Auxiliary reports an increase of eight members, and a most successful year financially and frantically.

On the first Sunday of Mr. Fleming's service as Pastor, all members of the congregation were asked to register in a guest book in the vestibule of the church. These were thirty-five present.

MANY FAIRS THIS YEAR

More Than Forty County and Independent Agricultural Fairs Booked for 1925

More than forty county and independent agricultural fairs, not taking into account community shows, will be held in North Carolina this year. From the activities shown by the managements at this early date, bigger and better fairs than ever before will be staged this year.

More free attractions are being secured, each year, for entertainment, and larger premiums are offered to attract more and better exhibits in the various departments.

Greater interest than ever before is being shown in arranging race programs. Two race circuits have been formed within the state, the North Carolina grand circuit, with four members, and the Carolina Short Ship circuit with a membership of ten.

Northern Capitalists Visit Morehead

Morehead City, May 27.—Coming so close upon the heels of the recent rumors concerning the plans of the Duke interests in regard to a merger of the Georgia and Florida, the Piedmont and Northern, the Durham and Southern, and the Norfolk Southern, the visit of John Sherwin, vice president of the Nickel Plate System, with a party of capitalists, to the Morehead City area, is given much significance by people of this part of the state who keep their ears to the ground for news that may portend the coming of better rail facilities and port development.

With Mr. Sherwin are A. H. Schuville, an official of the Union Trust Company of Cleveland, Ohio, and C. Stewart, a large realty operator also of Cleveland. Ostensibly they are here to seek grounds for the creation of a great game preserve and upon which they will build a lodge for wealthy sportsmen who are attracted to the sound country by the large quantities of wild duck, geese, turkeys, deer, etc.

Mrs. Johnston's Estate to Pay 2 Million

Lean state revenues have been very materially increased by a tentative settlement of the estate of Mrs. Katharine Reynolds Johnston which netted the state an initial payment of over \$200,000 with the total tax of between \$400,000 and \$500,000 expected before the end of the month. No tax has yet been received by the federal government but it is indicated that the estate tax will be about three times the tax collected by the state, making the total amount paid by the estate between \$1,000,000 and \$1,500,000. The same estate paid an enormous tax when it was inherited by Mrs. Johnston from her first husband, R. J. Reynolds, the tobacco magnate.

Mill Bride—The Richest in the World



David M. Milton, young lawyer of moderate means in New York, is to be the World's richest man by the time he is twenty. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Rockefeller.

FINALS AT THE F. H. S. BEGIN SUNDAY MAY 31

The Farmville high school has put the finishing touches on its program for the commencement finals which gets under way Sunday morning, June 1, running through Tuesday night.

Baccalaureate Sermon to Be Delivered by Rev. F. S. Love, of Wilson. Judge F. B. Winston to Deliver Address

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FARMVILLE CHORAL CLUB TO GIVE RECITAL AT E. C. TEACHERS COLLEGE

Miss Mary K. Jerome and her Farmville Choral club will give a recital at the Eastern Carolina Teachers College in Greenville Monday evening, June 1. The scene will be a beautiful one. The public is cordially invited.

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION MEETS

The Parent-Teacher Association held its regular monthly meeting, which was the last for this term, in the high school building Friday, May 22, at 8:30 o'clock.

When the report of the nominating committee was called, Mrs. Annie Long submitted the following report which was unanimously adopted:

Chairman Sol Chavis, of Snow Hill, who has district No. 6 to preside over, is asking his co-workers to meet him in Greenville, June 9 at noon at the Prichard hotel to outline the plans for the sixth district. This district includes Chatham, Liberty, Pitt, Martin, Washington, Wayne and Johnston counties. Chavis believes that he will have a good strong support in helping him put this his district into its full stride.

PAYS DEBT WITH RUBBER

Extra Profits From British Rubber Industry Sufficient to Offset Debt

Washington, May 24.—Commerce Department inquiries now being concluded indicate that extra profits from only one of the sources of British wealth—the rubber plantations of the East Indies—will be sufficient to cover all of that nation's future repayment of its war debt to the United States.

A partial report of the investigation undertaken at the direction of Secretary Hoover was made public today to meet the pressure for information from the rubber industry in view of recent sharp price increases. Crude rubber that sold as low as 17 cents a pound in 1924, reached 47 cents last January, and now is fluctuating between sixty and seventy cents.

Mother of 27; Could Have as Many More

Burlington, May 27.—Aunt Mary Edmonds, negro woman, living in Richmond Hill, a settlement near the city, appearing in the nation's court.

Board to Sell 200 Ships for Junk Piles

Washington, May 27.—The shipping board voted today to offer for sale 200 ships for scrapping.

METHODISTS WIN OPENER IN SUNDAY SCHOOL LEAGUE

The Methodists won the opening game in the Farmville Sunday School league Tuesday afternoon by the score of 9 to 8.

Pays \$1,000 FINE in Lieu to Roads

Kinston, May 25.—Col. C. Stroud, one of the prosperous farmers, today was announced to have paid a fine of \$1,000 as an alternative to going to the public roads for 15 months.

A New Charity



Wm. H. Loden, wealthy manufacturer of Reading, Pa., has found a new way to spend money. All employees in his business enterprises who have children in school now receive a bonus equivalent to the amount the children could earn when they are kept in school after reaching the age of 14.

PREPARING FOR SETTLEMENT

Italian Ambassador Discussing Question With Secretary Mellon; Desires to Be Lenient as Possible

Washington, May 27.—Italy is going ahead with preliminary negotiations looking to settlement of her debt to the United States and is doing so without seeking to expedite funding proposals upon which action to be taken by France.

Rowan Farmer Out \$120 Cow ate Coat

Salisbury, May 27.—Because he hung his coat on a fence post and left \$120 in greenbacks in the outside pocket while he performed some carpenter work Tuesday afternoon, J. W. Shoups, Franklin township man, is out that amount.

State to Build Roads to Use Convicts

Raleigh, May 26.—To meet an appropriation caused by the thousands of convicts at the state prison and the refusal of private contractors on the state highway system to use convict labor, the state highway system itself will undertake the construction of enough projects out of the twelve to be let on June 9 to utilize the 300 idle men, it was announced yesterday by Governor McLean, following a conference with State Highway Commissioner Frank Page.

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DECLARES WAR ON BAD MAGAZINES-CAPITULATES

District Attorney Starts Clean-Up Drive Against Obscene Publications, Expects to Stop Selling Them

Washington.—They're turning nose on Washington and the capital of the nation is getting a message that it has been receiving for a long period of years. It's a message that is going on, and it comes in the matter of clearing out of the book stores a class of magazines which have been for years spreading literary and social art filth, just as they pleased, with no one to say nay or to call a halt in this matter of the circulation of indecent magazines.

District Attorney Peyton Gordon is the leading figure in the clean-up that is going on here, and his chief aide in the fight he is making is Assistant District Attorney Given. Lately, the salacious brand of literature in the way of many magazines has been on its increase, the matter becoming so bad that communications filed in on the city government, it being urged that something be done to put an end to a condition that was threatening the homes and the schools. Seeing the need for drastic action in the matter, District Attorney Gordon got busy in the fight to put an end to conditions that were creating more and more indignities.

The offenders were book and news stores and stands in all parts of the city and so on to get a line on the offending magazines, Mr. Gordon, in agreement with the city police department, secured the selection of police and detectives to visit book and news stores throughout the city and to get from them names of magazines that had been sold and to get the names of the publishers.

Messages were sent out to the editors of these magazines asking that the sale of the objectionable publications be discontinued, and in a number of cases the sale of these magazines was at once ended. Others of the newspapers and magazine sellers held that there was nothing in the magazines to demand drastic action, and are fighting the demand that the sale of such publications be discontinued.

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