

Injures Troubles Old Train Wreck

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Gardner was pushed through the smoker into the car, then sat down under the wheels of the big locomotive. He calmly told his doctor that his back was broken and doctors told Mrs. Gardner in Shelby that her husband was dead, almost, and certainly would be. Mrs. Gardner jumped into an open car and raced to Salisbury on a freezing night. Mr. Gardner's jaw was broken, his ankle likewise, and his back almost ditto. The young man just then giving promise of his political future, lay three months in a Salisbury hospital.

He has recovered all that he hoped to regain, but had weather sets him back to the extent of painful his battered up bones. The governor's mighty physique pulled him through. Four of his companions were killed.

Engineer Tankersley, one of the finest drivers who ever opened a throttle, had his solitary mishap in that wreck. But his brains saved the cargo. He turned all the water into his fire box and drowned the fire. But for that his engine would have burned up the sleeper and all the people in it.

Equinox Season On But No Equinox Day

Ebeltoft Takes His Blum's Almanac And Checks Up On Weather Experts.

This weather hereabouts of recent days is known as the equinoctial storm season, because it is the equinox period, when fall begins and the day and night are supposedly of equal length; but Ebeltoft, after consulting his reliable Blum's almanac, points out that it is the equinoctial season yet there is no equinox—no equal day and night.

Which is to say that the sun does not set and rise at the same hour; this year as is usually the case during the equinoctial period. Ebeltoft's almanac shows that on September 20th sunset came at 6 o'clock in the evening, while the sunrise does not come at 6 o'clock in the morning until October 8. The Greensboro News weather observer says that the day and night with equal hours will come about September 27—that, Ebeltoft points out, is about midway between September 20 and October 8.

Extension Classes For Teachers Start Here During Week

Prof. B. A. Stevens, of the university extension department, will come to Shelby Thursday of this week to open the university extension classes for teachers, according to an announcement by J. H. Grigg, county superintendent.

The meeting will be held at the high school at 3:30 Thursday afternoon and at that time a schedule will be worked out for classes each week conducted by Prof. Stevens. These classes are for the purpose of helping teachers improve their certificates, or secure certificates.

New Highway Stops At S. C. Border

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road as a connecting link between the North Carolina highway and the Dravo bridge connection.

This may mean, if the reports reaching Shelby are true, that motorists down the new highway 18 will have to stop at the state line and drive back, unless South Carolina or Cherokee county highway officials build the connecting link, or condemn the private plantation road for a part of that missing link.

Cotton Market

Cotton was quoted at noon today on New York exchange: Dec. 18.61. Yesterdays' close: Dec. 18.63.

Eight p. m. weather map clear. Texas and Oklahoma. Mostly cloudy elsewhere, raining Atlanta. Forecast Carolinas and Georgia rain today and tomorrow. Alabama showers, all balance part cloudy.

Central tropical disturbance will likely approach close to east Florida coast between Palm Beach and Daytona this afternoon winds in center probably of hurricane force.

Journal of Commerce weekly reviews says gains are balanced by losses in cotton crop condition. Spot demand broadens materially as foreign and domestic spinners increase purchases. Merchants buying heavily for their stock, basis trend upward. Worth street quiet. Hedge selling likely to continue the dominating price influence for awhile purchases made on easy spots should prove profitable later on. CLEVELAND.

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Study Communism While on Trial for Lives



Thirteen members of the National Textile Workers Union of Gastonia, N. C., in jail at Charlotte, N. C., charged with the murder of Chief of Police Aderholdt of Gastonia, during the riots last summer, are seen here as they while away the time, studying communism.

Many Ministers Think Evidence Of Atheist Is O. K.

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old conception that requires an oath on the Bible and by God. But this test of a witness seems to me to be unnecessary.

Occasion Of Statements.

Statements from the ministers were secured as a consequence of Ben Wells, who was flogged by a party of marauders in Cabarrus county, being disqualified in an investigation conducted here by Judge T. J. Shaw, of Superior court. Judge Shaw made the investigation as a committing magistrate, when the mob party, which came here from Gastonia, it was charged, took Wells and two companions, who were identified with the National Textile Union strike in Gastonia county, to a place near Concord and flogged Wells, but did not flog the other two men. C. D. Saylor and C. M. Lell Wells said he did not believe in God.

Bishop E. A. Penick, of the Episcopal church, was also a liberal in his views, although he did not think that there were any real atheists. He said:

"I don't believe anybody is an atheist. Atheism has, as I have observed it, been limited to an intellectual pose. But if a man is willing to take some kind of oath as to the truth I believe he will tell the truth. There seems to me to be no necessary connection between a man's religious views and his moral character. Many men are so uncertain as to their religious convictions that they are hardly able to make any statement of them at all. Yet they may be men of character and integrity. However, religious conviction is really the basis of that integrity, since all truth is of God, though a man may be unconsciously in many instances rests that moral character on religious convictions that he might not be able to state."

Rev. G. Ray Jordan, pastor of a large congregation at Dilworth Methodist church, said that there is too much confusion prevailing in regard to citizenship and religious relationship. He said:

Integrity An Metaphysics.

"A man may have moral integrity though his metaphysics may not be at all what I or others may consider as the right metaphysics. I realize that religious opinions may influence his attitude in regard to other matters. And yet, he may be an avowed atheist and still have fine moral and ethical attitudes." Mr. Jordan pointed out that too many good-hearted people yell for the complete separation of church and state and still want to use the force of the state to make their own notions of religious theory prevail, and he declared that he thought the law of disqualifying a witness who is an atheist is an instance of the hangover of the old belief that church and state are identical. "A man has the moral right to give his testimony in court, regardless of his theories and the state legislature ought legally to give him that right," Mr. Jordan said.

Rev. Herbert Spauld, pastor of Myers Park Moravian church, thought that here are no atheists, "but if a man says he is an atheist we ought to provide some form of oath for him that would allow the court to admit his testimony. He may be capable of telling the truth whether he says he believes in God or not."

Rev. Gilbert R. Combs, D. D., pastor of Myers Park Methodist church said that the law on the statute books regarding disqualification of a witness who says he does not believe in God must be observed, "but in the meantime we ought to recognize the fallacies and then work to improve them. I sincerely question that belief in God is any criterion of truthfulness. However I believe that a man who believes in God is more likely to tell the truth and I feel that we have seen plenty of evidence of this likelihood

Bucknell Lure Fades; Mathewson Kin Quits

Ball Player's Widow Spurns Tradition; Withdraws Niece

THAT ancient tradition of the family, established by the late Christy Mathewson, famous ballplayer, that all bearing his name should have Bucknell College as their alma mater, has been irreparably shattered.

Miss Grace Mathewson, pretty eighteen-year-old co-ed of Bucknell, niece of the late Giant pitcher, who died at Saranac Lake, N. Y., of tuberculosis some years ago, will not return this fall to Bucknell, at Lewisburg, Pa.

Christy Mathewson, idol of baseball, graduated at Bucknell. The college pointed a prideful finger at that. While in college, Christy met the girl who later became his wife. She, too, is a Bucknell graduate. A year ago, Christy Mathewson, Jr., their son, now twenty-one, received his diploma from the same college. Young Christy lives with his mother. He is an aviator now, owning his own flying field at Saranac.

Two years ago the widow of the famous "Big Six" sent her husband's niece, Miss Grace Mathewson, to Bucknell. It was this same college that had his name emblazoned across the country's newspaper pages three years ago when parents of some of the students there protested against a sex questionnaire being distributed to the students.

However, Grace Mathewson will not next week enter Syracuse University, in New York State, as a junior studying to be a teacher of English. For the first time a Mathewson enters an alien institution of learning.

The dissonance, Mrs. Christy Mathewson tells it best in her own words: "There is no hard feeling on my part against the college. That would



MRS. CHRISTY MATHEWSON

be a reflection on the memory of Christy—if I felt bitter. Of course I am hurt. True, as reported, I did have words with Dean Clark, dean of the girls there. I have withdrawn Grace from junior year there.

"My only complaint was to Dean Clark. I have not written to the college authorities. There is no need to be unpleasant. I spoke very plainly to Dean Clark, of course. I had asked that Christy's niece be housed in one of the famous old college buildings at Bucknell. Instead, she was placed in another hall.

"That was the first year. The second year I repeated my request. This was not granted. The girl was told by Dean Clark that 'we do not cater to wealthy people.' I am far from wealthy. I went to Lewisburg and saw the Dean. Then I withdrew Grace."

Volstead Runs Again



Andrew J. Volstead, well known for his efforts to create an American Sahara in the land of the free and the home of the speakasy, has signified his intention of running for office as Representative from Kansas to fill the seat left vacant through the death of Representative J. V. Kvale.

West Avenue Presbyterian church, thought that: "A man who does not believe in God and the Bible could not be relied upon. I wouldn't want to pay any attention to him. He would have to believe in hell. Surely, if a man is willing to tell the truth he ought to be willing to swear that he is telling the truth."

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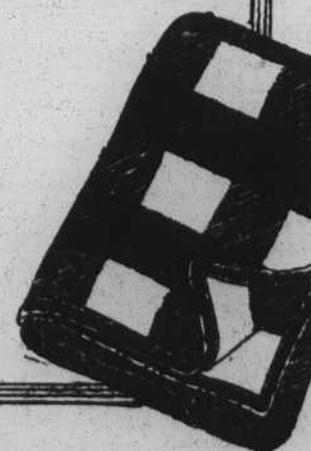
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