



PRESIDENT OF SOUTHERN KILLED ON HIS OWN ROAD

Private Car Demolished and Sleep-
ing Inmates Killed Their
Bodies Burned.

SIGNAL ERROR PROBABLE CAUSE

Train Following President's Was Giv-
ing "Clear Block"—Dispatcher Da-
vis, a Porter and Three Passengers
Dead; Many Injured—Son Unearth-
ed Charred Remains of Father.

(By Associated Press.)
LYNCHBURG, VA., Nov. 29.—
Samuel Spencer, president of the
Southern Railway Company and one
of the foremost men in the devel-
opment of the southern states, was
killed this morning at 6:10 o'clock
in a rear end collision of two fast
passenger trains ten miles south of
Lynchburg and a mile north of
Lawyers depot.

In the same wreck three others
were killed. Only Mr. Spen-
cer's Private Secretary Chas. E.
Merrill of New York, and one of
the three porters survived the ac-
cident.

The Dead.

PRESIDENT, SAMUEL SPENCER,
New York City.
CHAS. D. FISHER, of Baltimore.
PHILIP SCHUYLER, of New
York City.

FRANK T. REDWOOD, of Bal-
timore.

J. W. SHAW, colored, Spencer,
N. C. fireman.

POLLOCK, Porter on President
Spencer's car who died in hospital
here.

An unknown person whose head
and limbs are burned off short, who
is believed to be the third porter
on the car, who is missing. His
name cannot be learned.

The Injured.

LUCRETTA ALLEN, colored,
Danville, Va., leg is broken and
amputated below the knee.

WILLIS WINSTON, New York
city, leg badly broken.

J. W. SHAW, colored, Spencer,
N. C. fireman, badly crushed and
breast broken.

WILLIAM POLLAR, colored,
porter on president's car.

GARLAND THOMAS, colored,
Grensboro, N. C., leg broken and
badly bruised.

P. E. VAULET, Waynesboro, Va.,
colored, badly broken up and bruised.

CORA LOGAN, colored, Shelby,
N. C., both legs broken.

SAM COX, colored porter on pri-
vate car, of 611 First street, Wash-
ington, D. C., leg broken.

ORUETT ADDISON, the supreme
organizer of the Heptasophs, back
badly wrenched.

SON HOGAN, colored, Charlotte,
N. C., badly bruised.

A. M. MERRILL, New York city,
private secretary to President Spen-
cer, head and arms badly burned.
will recover.

Were Sleeping.

President and his entire party,
as far as is known were sleeping
when the collision happened and
the probabilities are that all of them
excepting dispatcher Davis were
killed instantly. It is certain that
life was extinct before the flames
touched them.

President Spencer's body was
burned almost beyond recognition
as was that of Mr. Fisher. The
body of Mr. Schuyler was taken
from under the train before it was
burned severely.

President Spencer's car was at-
tached to the rear of the Jackson-
ville train, which was standing still
when struck. President Spencer
was lying directly under the loco-
motive of the rear train. So great
was the force of the impact that
the forward train was sent at least
150 feet ahead, the locomotive go-
ing over and upon the body of Mr.
Spencer.

Until after the debris burned it-
self out and the engine cooled off
the bodies could not be recovered
the impact drove the combination car
forward and the express car, lifted
together with its truck, and crushed
the express car forty feet away
leaving the remainder of the car
strewn with its baggage and C. O. D.
packages which were pushed back
as the express car crushed the oc-
cupants of the combination car like
rats in a trap.

Car Ran a Mile.

The combination car did not leave
the track and in clearing the track
the express car was hauled to a
siding a mile distant on top and
in the debris of the combination
car.

How the colored passengers in
this combination car known as the
Jim Crow passenger train escaped
none of them bein killed is be-
yond explanation.

The wreck occurred on crest of a
steep grade when the Atlantic train
could not have been running more

thirty miles an hour. Had it been
a mile of two further south, the
number of dead would have been
frightful, as the train was about
two hours behind its schedule and
in the grade there that would have
meant a speed of more than sixty
miles an hour.

It was at first thought that En-
gineer Terry, of Spencer, who was in
charge of the engine on the At-
lantic train was killed but this proves
to be incorrect. Terry received
only a few slight bruises which
were dressed and did not go to
a hospital.

Son Found Father's Body.

Mr. H. C. Spencer, the sixth vice
president of the Southern was a pas-
senger on a north bound train from
the south which reached the scene
of the wreck a few minutes after
it had occurred. He spent several
hours there unearthing the charred
remains of his father which were
taken from under the locomotive.
Then came to this city with the
remains of his father and those
of his party.

Used M. Steven's Car.

The coach containing the corpses
were sidetracked in the yard of
this city. There coffins were pro-
cured for them and these were
placed in the private car of Presi-
dent Stevens of the Chesapeake
and Ohio railway, who was passing
through the city. It was tendered
for that purpose by Mr. Stevens.

This car and the one containing
the remains of the killed were at-
tached to a late train going north
and the remains were transferred to
caskets while the train was in
transit.

Precedes Funeral Train.

Judge John D. Horsely, division
counsel of the company and a gen-
eral superintendent of the company,
of Danville, are in charge of the
remains. M. H. B. Spencer having
preceded the train on a special
made up here in order to be in
Washington upon the arrival of the
regular train.

At the city hospital all the in-
jured persons are reported to be
doing nicely.

All are expected to recover.

Dispatcher Davis' Death.

Dispatcher Davis was alive when he
was taken from under the wreck. He
was crushed about the lower portion
of body and was considered near his
end. He asked that word be sent to
his wife and child. The death of Mr.
Davis was touching. He stated to his
rescuer that he knew he was dying
and knew that end could not be far
off. "Place your finger on my mouth,"
he said, "it feels so cold and good."

He pleaded with the gentleman,
who was also a passenger on the
train, not to leave him and for 10 min-
utes the man stayed with him until he
saw that nothing could be done for
him.

Coroner Did Not See Bodies.

County Coroner J. W. Davis, at the
request of the Southern officials went
this afternoon to the scene of the
wreck for the purpose of holding an
inquest, but he found that the bodies
had been removed before his arrival.
He returned to his home in the sub-
urbs and tonight could not say what
steps would be taken tomorrow.

Question of Responsibility.

The Jacksonville express had the
right of way in the block when engine
left the train and was two miles be-
yond Lawyer before the engineer no-
ticed he was without his train. It may
be that when he passed Lawyers that
the operator there gave Rangoon a
clear without noticing whether or not
the rear end markers were to be seen
before he did so.

In the absence of an official state-
ment, excepting that the operator at
Rangoon was at fault, that statement
is being accepted here.

Will Receive an Investigation.

It is possible that a railway investi-
gation will divulge that the Rangoon
operator let the Atlantic train into the
block on a notice from Lawyer that
the block was clear, the operator there
thinking the trainless engine cleared
the block, and the rear train had passed
Rangoon before it could be stopped.
The other statement is that Law-
yer gave a clear track after the en-
gine had passed his station without
noticing the rear end markers, then
the cause of the accident was at Law-
yer and not at Rangoon. Only an of-
ficial investigation will reveal the
cause.

Operator Disappears.

At 7 o'clock it was ascertained from
official source that the operator at
Rangoon who was on duty at the time
of accident has disappeared and he
cannot not be found although railways
officials have made an effort to locate
him.

Details of Collision.

The collision was between train
number 33, the Jacksonville Express
and number 37, the Washington and
Southwestern Vestibuled Limited,
both southbound. The heavy engine
of the Southwestern train plowed in-
to Mr. Spencer's car, which immedi-
ately caught fire. The wreckage was
piled around the engine and every por-
tion of wood work in the engine was
burned and the engine torn and twist-
ed into a useless mass of debris.

Baggage Covered Passengers.

Passengers were taken from the
combination coach of forward train.
They were literally covered with
heavy baggage thrown through the
partition of the baggage compart-
ments. Most of them were badly hurt
and all sustained cuts and bruises.

Rescue Work.

The rescue work was begun as soon
as the news of the wreck was receiv-
ed here. A special was quickly made
up and doctors Terrell and Carroll

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WILLIAM AND MARY MAKES SPLENDID FIGHT

Unexpected Strength Developed by
White and Yellow Boys Made
Score Close.

RICHMOND'S VICTORY WELL EARNED

Crowd of Twenty-five Hundred Peo-
ple Saw Clever and Stubbornly
Contested Football Game on Casino
Gridiron—Single Touchdown For
Wearers of Blue and Red.

Fully 2,500 people, the greatest
crowd that ever turned out to a foot-
ball game on the Virginia Peninsula,
witnessed the stirring bid of the Wil-
liam & Mary College eleven for vic-
tory over the Richmond College war-
riors in a spectacular struggle at the
Casino gridiron yesterday afternoon,
and saw the wearers of the red and
blue, in a final supreme effort, sweep
across the field for a lone touchdown
and victory in the middle of the last
half. It was a clean played game of
a whirlwind style and from the initial
kick off until the final minute of play
the enthusiasm of the vast throng of
spectators that filled the stands and
occupied every available foot of space
around the side lines was unbounded.

A Surprise for Richmond.

In the first few minutes of play
Richmond hearts were in Richmond
throats, for William & Mary showed
unexpected speed, dash and vim that
carried the red and blue players off
their feet and rapidly forced them
back down the field to a point within
the shadow of their own goal posts.

This was a happy moment for Wil-
liam & Mary supporters and white and
yellow flags and pennants were waved
on high all along the side lines and
the color bearers sent up shout after
shout of joy.

When the white and yellow warriors
were within five yards of a touch-
down and it looked as if nothing could
check their onward march, that in-
domitable courage and determination
of the Capital City boys, which ulti-
mately resulted in a victory for the
red and blue, first made its appear-
ance and the onslaught of the Wil-
liamsburg backs was spent upon a line
that held like a wall of solid granite.

Richmond on Its Feet.

With the ball in their possession, and
having recovered from their surprise
at the unlooked for speed and strength
of the white and yellow team, the
Richmond eleven, by a rapid exchange
of punts, line plunges, end runs and
a cleverly executed forward pass, car-
ried the ball to William & Mary's
three yard line, only to lose it on a
fatal fumble by Waite, who had been
called upon to carry the pig skin
across the line. William & Mary
nursed out of danger and the half was
brought to a close with honors even.

The intermission between halves
was the signal for a demonstration on
the part of the Williamsburg followers
that will long be remembered. Hun-
dreds of people, wearing the white
and blue, gathered around the team
in the center of the field and cheer
after cheer went up for the plucky war-
riors who had proven themselves a
match for the champion eleven of
Richmond College.

The Richmond College supporters
also gave their team a rousing recep-
tion during the intermission and when
play opened both elevens were deter-
mined to do or die. William & Mary
started off again with great dash and
vigor and for a few minutes she swept
all before her. Slowly Richmond yielded
until within the danger zone and
then it seemed to take new life.

Getting the ball on a punt, the red
and blue players forced the white and
yellow warriors across the field slow-
ly, but surely, only to loose the ball
when the goal was but 25 yards dis-
tant.

Gooch to the Front.

Williamsburg could do nothing
against the now dogged Richmond
team and was forced to punt. Then
it was that, when all others had fail-
ed, the diminutive Gooch, the star of
the game was called upon to lead his
team to victory and responded by
smashing through the line and around
the ends for long gains, finally landing
the ball on William & Mary's six yard
line, where Bowen and Waite were
called upon to finish the work Gooch
had begun.

Crowd Arrives Early.

Long before 2 o'clock, the hour set
for the opening of the game, people
began flocking to the field and at 2:30
o'clock about 1,300 were within the
park. The William & Mary team was
the first to reach the gridiron and as
it filed on the field it was met with
cheer after cheer from its supporters.
The Richmond team arrived a few
minutes later and both elevens went
through light signal drill.

W. & M. Wins Toss.

After a brief consultation in the
center of the field, William & Mary
won the toss and choose to defend the

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CARLISLE DEFEATS VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

Virginia Made the First Touch-
down But the Indians Won
in the End.

MISSED GOAL PREVENTED TIE

Pennsylvania and Cornell Battled to
a Tie, Cornell Coming Within a Foot
of Winning the Game—Whistle
Sounded When Game Was Thought
to Have Been Won.

(By Associated Press.)
NORFOLK, VA., Nov. 29.—Seven
thousand people saw Carlisle defeat
Virginia here today by a score of 18
to 17.

A missed goal prevented Virginia
tying the score. Virginia made the
first touchdown on a blocked kick and
three line rushes. Her other scores
were made by Johnson and Honaker
in runs of 80 yards.

The Indians scored through Mount
Pleasant and Little Boy by hammer-
ing the line in two instances and a
fifty yard run. Little Boy scored
twice, as did Johnson for Virginia.

Line up:

Indians. Positions. Virginia.

Labo, Tomahawk. Right End. Maddox

Bowen. Right Tackle. Cooke

Laroue. Right Guard. Williams

Hunt. Center. Gloth

Dillon, Old Man. Left Guard. Woods

Wasenka. Left Tackle. Vaughan

Gardner. Left End. Myers

Archie Tibby. Quarterback. Hornaker

Mount Pleasant, J. Tibby. Right Halfback. Johnson

Hendricks, Winnie. Left Halfback. Randolph

Little Boy. Fullback. Neff

V. P. I. WINS FROM THE A. & M. BY CLOSE SCORE

Neither Side Scored in the First
Half, But Blacksburg Rallied in
Second.

(By Associated Press.)
RICHMOND, VA., Nov. 29.—The
foot ball game here today between
the Agricultural and Mechanical Col-
lege of North Carolina and Virginia
Polytechnic Institute was won by
a score of 6 to 0.

A. & M. won the toss and chose
the western goal. V. P. I. steadily
pushed the ball down the field to
the A. & M. 20 yard line, where
Wilson failed to kick a field goal.
The first half ended with the ball
on V. P. I. 40 yard line and in A.
& M. possession. Neither side scored
in this half.

In the second half the same hard
line playing was noticeable with
occasional kicking. After about 12
minutes of play Nutter, for V. P. I.,
was forced through for a touch-
down. Goal was kicked.

The ball was hammered to within
two yards of the V. P. I. goal line
when Wilson got it and made a
seventy yard dash only to be down-
ed on the A. & M. 35 yard line.

The game ended with the ball on
A. & M. 15 yard line.

Cornell and Pennsylvania.

(By Associated Press.)
PHILADELPHIA, PA., Nov. 29.—
With the ball within one foot of
the home team's line, the annual
game between Pennsylvania and
Cornell foot ball elevens on Frank-
lin field today came to an end with-
out either side being able to score.

Finish Was Sensational.

The finish of the contest, with
Pennsylvania fighting desperately to
ward off defeat was as sensational
a piece of foot ball playing as has
been seen on red and blue gridiron
in a long time.

There were but a few minutes of
time left when Holenback, for Pen-
sylvania kicked against the win to
the home teams 45 yard line, where
a Cornell man got the ball. Two
line plays and a quarterback kick
put the ball on Pennsylvania's 15
yard line, still in Cornell's posses-
sion.

Here the Ithicans tried a forward
pass. Holenback interrupted that
pass but was unable to hold the
ball and Van Orman for Cornell,
fell on it seven yards from Penn-
sylvania's goal.

Two plays against the tackles and
Cornell was on the one yard line.

Pennsylvania Holds Fast.

It seemed as if nothing could stop
her but on the next plunge into
the line the Pennsylvania men held
and Cornell dropped in her tracks.

It was then Pennsylvania's ball on
downs.

Pennsylvania decided not to take
a chance to carry the ball with it
practically on her goal line, and
Holenback was sent far back of
goal posts to kick out. He was
directly behind the cross bar and
in order to avoid it he kicked to
one side. The punt was bad and
the ball went out of bounds about
two yards from the goal line.

One Yard to Gain.

With the ball in her possession,
two yards from Pennsylvania's goal
line the Ithicans made a yard on
the first play but at the second
plunge into the Pennsylvania line
failed to gain. The ball was then on
the quakers one yard line. Cornell
had one more try while Pennsylvania
was in the last ditch and desper-
ate.

The signal was given, the teams
crashed against one another and
half of Cornell's players were on top
of struggling mass of men.

Whistle Stopped Game.

The teams plunged into each other,
the time keepers whistle announced
the end of the game. Every one
thought Cornell had won but when
the referee and Umpire Edwards
finally separated the struggling play-
ers they found that Cornell failed
to make the distance.

Yesterday's Games in Brief.

Asheville—Bingham School 10;
Maryville 17.

At Norfolk, Va.—Indians 18; Vir-
ginia 17.

At Macon, Ga.—Auburn Polytechnic
0; University of Georgia 4. Gordon
Institute 0; Georgia University, (sec-
ond team) 6.

Clemson College 10; Georgia School
of Technology 0.

At Philadelphia—Cornell 0; Penn-
sylvania 0.

Easton, Pa.—Dickinson 6; Lafay-
ette 26.

At Marietta, Ohio—Marietta 12;
Ohio University 0.

At Washington—Georgetown 16;
George Washington University 6.

At Washington—Howard Univer-
sity 12; Shaw University 5.

At Pittsburgh—Western University
of Pennsylvania 0; Pennsylvania
State college 6.

At St. Louis—St. Louis University
39; Iowa University 0.

At Kansas City—University of Kan-
sas 0; University of Missouri 0.

At Lincoln, Neb.—Nebraska 41; Cin-
cinnati 0.

At Richmond, Va.—Virginia Poly-
technic Institute 6; A. & M. College
of North Carolina 0.

At Lynchburg—Davidson College 6;
Virginia Military Institute 0.

At Nashville—Vanderbilt Univer-
sity 20; Sewanee 0.

At Deland—Stinson University 2;
Collins School 0.

FIRE AT SAGAMORE HILL.

President's House Threatened When
Woods Burn.

OYSTER BAY, Nov. 29.—President
Roosevelt's Sagamore Hill home here
had a narrow escape from destruc-
tion by fire last night, being saved
because the wind was blowing in
such a direction as to carry a
frest fire on Cooper Bluff away from
it. Cooper Bluff is on the estate of
W. Emien Roosevelt, which ad-
joins the Sagamore Hill property.

Captain William Bingham, who lives
at Cold Spring Harbor, across the
bay, was the man who discovered
the fire, and he lost no time in
telephoning to Noah Seaman, the
superintendent of the president's
home, that the woods were afire.

Captain Bingham offered to send
fifty men in boats to help fight
the flames, but this was afterward
found to be unnecessary.

All the men available on the dif-
ferent estates got together, and the
combined forces started for the
burning woods. They found that the
fire had started north of Sagamore
Hill, and was gradually making
its way toward the president's
property. The wind was from the
north, and proved a strong ally of
the fire fighters, who resorted to
back-firing to stay the progress of
the flames.

YOUTH SHOTS HOST AND IS KILLED HIMSELF

Story of Mysterious Double Tragedy
Comes From Macon,
Georgia.

(By Associated Press.)
MACON, GA., Nov. 29.—Horace
Smith, a young man who was a vis-
itor at the home of Dock Jones near
Winterville, Ga., yesterday, was or-
dered to leave, as he was under
the influence of liquor. While go-
ing down the front steps Jones shot
Smith, killing him instantly and
some one shot Jones through the
head and he fell dead near his
own victim. It is not known who
fired the fatal shot that killed Jones.

Eighteen Passengers Hurt.

DAYTON, OHIO, Nov. 29.—A trac-
tion car on the Dayton and Xenia line
filled with suburbanites and people
from Xenia was struck by a Cleveland,
Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis
freight engine, which was backing out
of union station about midnight and
18 passengers were badly injured.
None of them will die.

In order to make the pathway of
his successor smoother President
Roosevelt is taking pains to leave
no precedent unbroken.—Washington
Post.

LITTLE GIRL KILLS INVADER OF HER HOME

Ethel Smith, 13-Year-Old, Puts
Five Bullets Into Man With
With Father's Pistol.

PARENTS WERE NOT IN HOUSE

Providence Chief of Police Details
Plucky Child, Who is Daughter of
Special Officer, in His Office Pend-
ing an Investigation of the Shoot-
ing.

(By Associated Press.)
THORNTON, R. I. Nov. 29.—
Ethel Smith, the 13-year-old daughter
of Special Policeman Leonard Smith,
is under arrest tonight at house
of Chief of Police Kimball, charged
with killing Elmer Briggs, a resi-
dent of Thornton.

Special Officer Smith took ply
upon Mrs. Briggs who had been
deserted by her husband and he
hand his wife received Mrs. Briggs
and her three children into their
home and were arranging to send
them to the home of Mrs. Briggs
brother, who lives in Nantoco.

Briggs Invaded Home.

This afternoon during the absence
of Mrs. Smith, Briggs arrived at
the Smith home and demanded ad-
mission, which was refused. Briggs
drew a large carving knife from
beneath his coat and cut away the
netting from the screen on the front
door. He then smashed a pane of
glass in the door and reached his
arm inside, turned the key in the
door and reached his arm inside,
turned the key in the lock and
threw back the bolt.

Little Girl Stood Guard.

As he started to enter the house,
Ethel, armed with her father's re-
volver, fired two shots at him, both
bullets lodging in his body. Briggs
hesitated for a moment and then
stepped forward; the child fired
three more shots,