

PETERSBURG

PAINTER IS DROWNED IN APPOMATTOX RIVER

In Swimming Near Point of Rocks With Friend When He Loses His Life. REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED

Alumnus of Hampden-Sidney Want Representative on Board of Trustees. William H. Shaw Dies Suddenly.

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Petersburg, Va., May 5. Ernest Pannill, residing on West Street, and son of Henry Pannill, was drowned in the Appomattox River near Point of Rocks last evening. Information of the drowning was brought to the Station House last night by Nicholas Jessup, who brought with him clothes that were identified as Pannill's. Jessup was unable to tell a clear story of the occurrence. It appears, however, that Jessup and Pannill went down the river yesterday morning on a combined joy and fishing trip, and that in the evening they dined and went in swimming. Pannill sank and Jessup got out alive to tell the story. A third man, one of the party, Mr. Jordan, saw Pannill attempting to swim across the river, saw him throw up his hands and heard him cry good-by, that he was gone, after which he sank from view. The water is very deep at that point. Pannill was about thirty years old and a painter by trade. He was married, his wife and two children, and was well known in the community. Mrs. Pannill was greatly shocked by the instance of her husband's death, and her condition became such that medical attention was required. The father and friends of the deceased have been dragging the river all day for the body. Mr. Pannill was a good swimmer, and it was supposed that he must have been seized with cramps.

Personal Intelligence. Robert Gilliam, Sr., received assurance of the safety of his two sisters, who for years have lived in Mexico City. They have in no wise been interfered with during the troubles in that city, and will continue to live there.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Jones, of Brunswick County, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kate Hyrd, to William A. Brown, a prosperous farmer of Dinwiddie. The marriage will take place in Washington, on Tuesday, May 12.

William L. Zimmer, Miss Margaret Zimmer, Mrs. Mitchell and Miss Kitty Mitchell, all of this city, who went abroad nearly a year ago, sailed on their return home yesterday and are expected to land in New York a week over the European Continent, visiting in England, France, Germany, Italy and Switzerland.

Captain and Mrs. F. H. Barker, of Evansburg, Pa., who had been guests for several days at the home of Mrs. Sarah Webb in Prince George county, have returned home. Captain Barker is a member of the Pennsylvania Battlefield Commission, and is largely instrumental in the erection of the beautiful Pennsylvania monument in Prince George, the handsome Federal monument that has been set erected on the battlefield around Petersburg.

The alumnae of Hampden-Sidney College in Petersburg have inaugurated a movement to place a representative on the board of trustees of the college. The local associations were recently organized with Dr. George Spotswood as president. There are about forty alumnae of the college in Petersburg.

Miss Frances Slater, president of the Christian Endeavor Society of the Christian Church, is attending the State convention of Christian Endeavor Societies at Lynchburg.

Hotel Closed. The New Shirley Hotel, on West Tabb Street, closed its doors to the public yesterday, the tenant's lease on having expired. This property is owned by the Petersburg Investment Corporation, which proposes to erect on the site a modern hotel at an approximate cost of \$200,000. The corporation has before it plans for a dozen architects from various points. As soon as a plan is selected, preparations will be begun for razing the present and erecting the new building.

Death in Matocosa. John E. Wilkinson, a life-long and esteemed citizen of Matocosa, died about midnight last night at his home in that village, following an illness of about three months. He was fifty-nine years old, and is survived by one daughter, Mrs. May J. Childress; an adopted daughter, Miss Mamie Wilkinson, and one son, J. Harvey Wilkinson, all of Matocosa.

State Camp of Woodmen. The State Camp of Modern Woodmen of America will meet at the Stratford Hotel in this city to-morrow. At many delegations are expected. At this meeting three delegates will be elected to the head camp, which meets next month in Toledo, O. A banquet will be given in honor of the delegates.

General News Notes. In accordance with the proclamation of the State councilor, the councils of Jr. O. U. A. M., in this city, will observe Mother's Day by attending the night service at the Second Baptist Church. The sermon will be delivered by the pastor, the Rev. F. W. Moore.

F. Underwood, of North Carolina, will deliver an address to-morrow afternoon before the Farmers' Union of Prince Edward county on the subject of marketing and grading peanuts.

More than a thousand women of the city have signed a pledge to do their Saturday shopping hereafter before noon of that day, and the committees seeking pledges expect to increase this number fivefold or more.

Lovenstein Bros. will open bids on Friday evening for the erection of their new four-story department store building on Sycamore Street. The property extends through to Union Street, and the store will embrace a handsome theatre.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ of America, Sunday, May 17, will be observed at several of the churches in this city as "Peace Sunday," with sermons and services appropriate to the occasion.

Mrs. R. F. Jarvis, who was taken suddenly ill with appendicitis several nights ago, was operated on at the hospital and is doing well.

William M. Shaw, bookkeeper for Charles Lunsford & Gay, Inc., died very suddenly on Sycamore Street this evening at 7:30 o'clock. He was on his way home from work when he was stricken with apoplexy and fell on the street. He was dead before medical assistance could be summoned.

ORGANIZED CONSPIRACY TO INTIMIDATE I. C. C.

Senator La Follette Refers to Widespread Agitation for Increasing Freight Rates.

PRODUCES MASS OF EVIDENCE Talks on His Bill, Which Would Make It Criminal Offense to Seek to Influence Decisions.

Washington, May 5.—Senator La Follette laid before the Senate to-day what he declared was evidence of a widespread conspiracy to intimidate, coerce and control the Interstate Commerce Commission, to grant Eastern railroads the 5 per cent freight-rate increase, for which application is pending.

The Senator spoke on his bill to make it a criminal offense to seek to influence decisions of the commission. He talked for more than two hours, and produced a mass of newspaper clippings, copies of letters and telegrams which found their way to the commission, in which the authors urged favorable action upon the railroad plea. He declared "the conspiracy" had made use of newspaper articles, editorials and advertisements; the owners had assailed the commission by communications demanding the increase, and that propaganda had been in force for months before the railroads began their presentation of the case.

The commission must find its decision on the evidence and testimony taken by it and not on the evidence furnished in a channel, he said. The course of his speech the Senator declared that in Washington, President Wilson frequently had been made to appear in favor of the rate increase. He said he could not believe that President sought to influence the commission, but expressed surprise that these published reports of his attitude had not been denied.

WANTS PRESIDENT'S DENIAL. IN CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. When Senator Stone later pointed out that there had been denials from the President, Senator La Follette said that he could not believe that the President sought to influence the commission, but expressed surprise that these published reports of his attitude had not been denied.

Throughout the speech the Senator was uninterrupted and the Senate chamber was more nearly filled than it has been on any day since the talk of war with Mexico abated.

He warned his colleagues that there is a growing suspicion throughout the country that the courts are more inclined to look kindly on property interests than on the rights of the individual. He said Congress could not excuse itself for constituting a tribunal like the commission, turning over to it cases of vast importance and leaving it exposed to every conceivable form of attack.

More than 500 communications have been received by the commission, Senator La Follette asserted, including 700 petitions, resolutions and letters specifically urging the increase. He said that as a result of one advertisement in a trade journal in the West he had received about 150 letters urging the increase. He told how Chairman Harlan, of the commission, was called from his bed at midnight recently to receive such a communication.

"There is no mistaking what has been done," said the Senator. "The war-faring man, though a fool, knows that there has been an organized conspiracy to coerce the commission to a compliance with the demands of the railroads that \$50,000,000 be taken from the public, and handed over to them and no questions asked."

UNVEILING OF TABLET ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Erected in Alexandria by Colonial Dames of Virginia to Commemorate Colonial Events.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Alexandria, Va., May 5.—The Army and Navy will be represented here at the unveiling of the tablet on the Market Building on Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, which will commemorate Colonial events in the history of Alexandria. Colonel R. E. Lee, of Ravenscroft, Fairfax county, will deliver the address. Many patriotic societies will take part. The tablet is the gift of the Colonial Dames of Virginia, and is suitably inscribed. The War Department has designated Captain Duncan Elliott to represent that department, while Commander MacDougall will represent the Navy Department. Music for the affair will be furnished by the Fort Myer Band.

Rev. Charles E. Slattery, D. D., of Grace Episcopal Church, New York, delivered the first of the last course of Reimcoeur Foundation Lectures this afternoon at the Episcopal Theological Seminary, taking for his subject "The Long Preparation for Pentecost."

After spending forty years in the government services, Field Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue Captain Fountain Beattie will be succeeded by some one yet to be named by Collector J. M. Hart, of the Sixth District.

This service has been consecutive with the exception of four years Captain Beattie was out of office under the Cleveland administration.

A. H. Agnew's stamp duty, will also be succeeded by some one else in that position.

A total of more than \$23,000 has now been subscribed for the building fund of the Alexandria Hospital.

Alexandria's Baseball Park will shortly be divided into building lots and sold.

BAD DIZZY SPELLS CURED BY BLACK-DRAUGHT

An Old Man, Nearing the Century Mark, Tells How His Wife and Self Conquered Their Troubles

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SOUTH RICHMOND

STREET CAR STRIKES LOAD OF VEGETABLES

Driver Suffers Broken Leg and Is Taken to City Hospital to Have Member Set.

Swansboro Citizens Will Petition Company to Sprinkle Street Along Route of Car Line.

One man was seriously injured, the horse hurt and wagon demolished, when a large articulated car on the Forest Hill line collided with a cart yesterday morning at Fourteenth and Perry Streets. The negro driver, named Christian, had a leg broken and may have internal injuries. The vehicle was hurled several yards, and vegetables were strewn along the street. Julian Bowles, of Hanover, is the owner of the team. Christian was taken in an ambulance to the City Hospital.

Plans for Festival. Plans were made at a meeting of the Swansboro School and Civic League on Monday afternoon for a May festival to be held on Friday, May 15, on the school grounds. The funds will be used to purchase equipment for the playground. There is a large athletic field at the school, but there are no improvements on it. It is desired to buy horizontal bars, sliding boards, swings and other paraphernalia, and to lay out tennis courts and baseball diamonds.

Verdict for Plaintiff. A verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$281 was awarded yesterday in the case of Charles T. Friend against the L. K. Shepherd Ice Cream Company, Inc. Damages were claimed on the ground of failure of the defendant to keep its contract.

Four suits are on the docket for trial to-day. They are: the Williams Plumbing Company against Simonetti; the Simmons Hardware Company against R. H. Richardson, two suits, and the Henrico Lumber Company against Charles F. Ruchmund and others.

Want Street Sprinkled. Residents of Swansboro are much annoyed by the thick dust on the car line through the village, and the Virginia Railway and Power Company will be petitioned to sprinkle the street from the head of Hull Street to the Broad Rock Road, the end of the company's line.

Funeral of Miss Whitely. The funeral services of Miss Mary Whitely, twenty-six years old, who died on Monday morning at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Whitely, 1211 Porter Street, will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the home of her grandmother, Mrs. A. F. Luck, 325 Perry Street. The burial will be in Riverview Cemetery.

Funeral of Mrs. Jackson. The funeral services of Mrs. Martha A. Jackson, sixty-six years old, widow of Joseph A. Jackson, were held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from Central Methodist Church. She was survived by a son and three daughters, W. A. Jackson, Miss M. E. Jackson and Mrs. J. W. Draucker, of Richmond, and Mrs. B. T. Waddill, of Spencer, Va.

To Give Minstrel Show. Some of the best Southside talent will take part in the minstrel show, which will be given on Friday night in the Powhatan School auditorium. The proceeds will go towards the athletic fund of the school, and a part will be used to equip the team with uniforms. An elaborate program of music and monologues has been arranged.

Drowned in James River. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lynchburg, Va., May 3.—F. W. C. Hill, a young draughtsman in the employ of the Glemorgan Pipe and Foundry Company, was drowned in James River this evening. He and R. H. Patterson were in a boat under the new southern Railway bridge when the boat was caught in an eddy and overturned. Patterson managed to effect a landing, but Newhill was swept down stream and his body was not recovered at a late hour to-night.

Promoted to Chief Clerkship. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lynchburg, Va., May 3.—F. W. C. Poston, who has been assistant for a number of years here in the office of the chief clerk of the railway mail service, was today promoted to chief clerkship, vice N. C. W. Gardner, who is transferred back to Baltimore. The change will be effective on Sunday. A number of minor changes are expected in the local office in a short time. Mr. Poston has been in the railway mail service for twenty-one years, and with the chief clerk's office here eleven years.

Unite Interest in Primaries. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Danville, Va., May 5.—Six Aldermen and nine Councilmen were nominated to-day in a Democratic primary held here. It was apathetic, and little interest was shown in the election, twelve of fifteen men to be nominated, two were new men. In North Danville an entirely new set of representatives were nominated.

Fined for Cruelty. John Ross, colored, was fined \$10 and costs yesterday morning in Police Court when he was convicted of cruelty treating a mule.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY COTTON CONFERENCE

Will Tend to Improve Conditions, Both in Spots and Futures Trade.

GOVERNMENT STANDARD URGED Recommendations Adopted to Present All Crop Statistics as of August 1 Instead of September 1.

Augusta, Ga., May 5.—Favorable action was taken late to-day by the National Cotton Conference on all the resolutions adopted by the executive committee during its two days' session here. The resolutions were suggested as tending to improve present conditions, both in the spots and futures cotton trades throughout the country.

Among the resolutions of the executive committee, approved by the entire conference, was one recommending several changes in Representative E. A. Lever's cotton future bill, now pending in Congress. The conference instructed the chairman to forward a copy of the resolutions to Representative Lever. A committee was appointed to confer with him and to assist in having the bill passed.

Recommendation that all the exchanges adopt the government standard of classifications, and that the government adopt the international standard agreed upon at Liverpool last year, was approved. The recommendation to present all cotton statistics, reports, etc., for the festival will on August 1 to August instead of from September 1 also, was approved.

W. C. Lawson, of Waco, Tex., called attention of the organization to what he termed an unfair rule enacted last October by the Bremen Cotton Exchange. This rule, he stated, allows the receiver in Bremen 100 days to determine the extent of interior damage after delivery.

A resolution was adopted expressing disapproval of the Bremen exchange rule. Changes suggested by the committee in the Lever bill include a reduction of the tax of 25 cents a contract to 5 cents a contract. This, it was stated, would make the burden of the tax fall upon the dealer and not the producer.

The committee also desired the application of the bill as set forth in section 3 to be amended so as to apply to an resident "in the United States" instead of "of the United States." This, it is understood, is to make the provision applicable to transient traders.

The delineating of the scope of the sixth section of the Lever bill, regarding tenders of cotton under contract, which form the basis of quotations was requested.

It also was agreed that section 5 of the bill, determining what are bona fide spot markets, under standards established by the Secretary of Agriculture, should be changed to read as follows: "Provided that selection of places shall be left entirely within the discretion of the Secretary of Agriculture."

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