

MISS LOUISE CONVERSE



Miss Louise Converse, whose engagement to Junius Morgan II, son of J. Pierpont Morgan, was announced by the young man at a dinner in Cambridge, Mass. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick S. Converse of Boston and is nineteen years old. Young Morgan graduates from Harvard this year.

BLAST SLAYS 9 MEN

Another Missing From Explosion on Liner Jefferson.

Many Are Badly Scalded and Are Taken to Hospital When Ship Tugs In at Norfolk, Va.

Norfolk, Va., May 12.—Nine men were killed in an explosion on board the old Dominion liner Jefferson of Cape Henry. Another man is missing. The Jefferson came into Norfolk with the bodies of the dead. The explosion was due to the bursting of tubes in the main boiler, while the Jefferson was on her way from Norfolk to New York.

The dead are: R. Brooks, fireman; R. Brown, fireman; R. Coulber, fireman; R. Upton, fireman; L. King, coal passer; J. Lopez, coal passer; Henry Miller, oiler.

R. Mitchell, a fireman, is the missing man. He was seen just after the explosion running about the deck, and it is believed that he jumped overboard and was drowned.

The injured, all of whom were badly scalded, were taken to the Sarah Lehigh hospital in this city. Little hope is held out for the recovery of two of them.

Among most seriously scalded are Chief Engineer W. L. Fortlock—First Assistant H. Smith and Angus Olsen, a water tender.

Olsen died later in the hospital. The fate of Mitchell was cleared up when his dead body, terribly scalded, was found in a corner of the engine room. It was supposed that he had leaped overboard in his agony.

After the Jefferson had left her dead at Norfolk she again set sail for New York.

WOMEN LOSE LIVES IN STORM

Lightning and Rain Cause Death and Tremendous Damage in Northern Ohio.

Columbus, O., May 13.—A severe rain and electrical storm which swept northern Ohio caused the death of two women and great damage to property. Mrs. Abraham Drake, aged seventy, of Van Wert, was struck by lightning and instantly killed. Mrs. Frai Elward of Findlay died from exhaustion as she was hurrying to her home when the storm broke. Several persons were reported injured by lightning. More than an inch of rain fell in some sections and many buildings, set on fire by lightning, were destroyed.

WOMEN PERISH IN HOTEL FIRE

Bodies of Three Are Found Together in Ruins of Building at Yuma, Ariz.

Yuma, Ariz., May 13.—Three women perished to death in a fire which destroyed the Hotel Imperial. After the flames had been subdued the bodies of Miss Naomi Strong and Miss Genevieve Brown, school teachers, and Miss Brown's mother, were found together where the head of the stairway had been.

Failed to Account for \$3,900. Springfield, Ill., May 12.—The completion of the investigation of the books of Patrick H. Hart, the secretary of the bureau of labor statistics, who disappeared about two months ago, disclosed the fact that Hart failed to turn into the state treasury \$3,900 before he went away. Governor Dunne immediately instructed Attorney General Lucy to take action.

PIAGUE IN COLOMBIA

Panama, May 13.—A seven-day quarantine has been declared against all ports of Colombia. Seven cases of bubonic plague have been reported in Barranquilla and several at Cartagena.

Acquiesced Negro Is Lynched

Shreveport, La., May 12.—Ed Hamilton, negro held on the charge of assaulting a ten-year-old white girl, was taken from the parish jail shortly after noon and lynched.

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DEcriES THE "SEAMY SIDE"

Celebrated Minister, at University Conference, Warns Against the Exaggeration of Evil-Opposes Licenses.

Lawrence, Kan., May 13.—The newspaper profession is as sacred a calling as the ministry, in the opinion of Dr. Washington Gladden of Columbus, O., as expressed in an address made by the preacher and former editor before hundreds of newspaper members here at the national newspaper conference being conducted by the United Society of Kansas. Other speakers on the program were H. F. Harrington of the Ohio State Journal and Will Irwin, a prominent writer. A paper by Frank B. Noyes of Washington, D. C., president of the Associated Press, on press association work, was read.

Dr. Gladden decried what he referred to as a tendency of some newspapers toward "habits of exaggeration" and the exploitation of crime, vice and scandal. He outlined four great tasks for American journalism in the performance of which he said it might aid in purifying and invigorating public opinion.

First, to teach people to avoid exaggeration and violent speech and to cultivate moderate and rational modes of expression.

Second, to resist the tendencies which demoralize democracy and substitute the mob mind for the deliberate habit.

Third, to hold the popular judgment firmly to the truth that character and manhood, and not money and popularity, are the central values of human existence.

Fourth, to turn the thoughts of men more and more from the negative virtue of detecting and exposing the evil to the positive virtue of discerning and praising the good.

Too Much of "Seamy Side."

"I know of some newspapers," said Dr. Gladden, "that are doing much to bring to earth a reign of good-will. They are disposed to discern the good and rejoice in it; they cultivate graceful speech and kindly judgment of their fellow men. And yet I fear that it is in their collecting and presenting the news of the day the habit, which so largely prevails, of fixing the attention upon evil of society, of keeping the seamy side of life uppermost, furnishes to quite too large an extent the common notion of the function of journalism.

"It is not true that one of the deepest needs of our social life is the need of a kinder judgment of our neighbors; the need of a disposition to see the good side of everybody? And has not the newspaper a very large responsibility in obtaining such conditions?"

Much of the day was given to discussions of news associations and their relation to memberships in them. Charles H. Grasty, editor of the Baltimore Sun, will address the editors tonight.

License Newspaper Men? No.

"A proposed legislation to license newspaper men desirable or particulate?" was the question discussed by Gen. Harrison Gray Oils, editor of the Los Angeles Times, yesterday. "Certain not," was the Californian's answer. "Such a course," Oils pointed out, "would be to set up a newspaper class, to establish a newspaper oligarchy, an attempt to do the impossible and the undesirable. All citizens must be free to break into the newspaper business, and to fail or succeed there in according to their respective abilities or lack of the same, their good or bad motives and their power to impress or disgust their fellow citizens while in the act of gaily swinging around on the 'editorial tripod' with pen in hand."

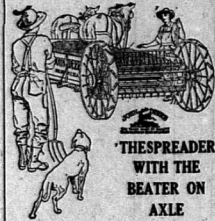
ARMY AVIATORS ARE KILLED

Two Aeroplanes Collide 200 Feet in Air Going 65 Miles an Hour.

Aldershot, England, May 13.—While traveling at the rate of 65 miles an hour, 300 feet above the ground, two army aeroplanes collided above Farnborough, killing two army aviators and seriously injuring a third. The dead men were Captain Anderson and Private Carter. The injured man was James Wilson.

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