

**MANY ARE KILLED AND INJURED**

**When Kegs of Powder Explode on Mine Trolley Road.**

Wilkesbarre, Pa., June 5.—Seventy-eight men lost their lives in the Baltimore No. 2. tunnel of the Delaware and Hudson Coal Company explosion and fire to-day, and 31 were injured, according to a list given out by the company officials at noon to-day.

Forty bodies have been identified and 36 remain unidentified. The company's list was not complete, and it is certain that the number of injured will reach about 40.

**May Be Hundred Deaths.**  
Wilkesbarre, June 5.—A death list that may reach 100 is the human toll of an explosion to-day of blasting powder, which was attached to a trainload of miners being transported to their work in the Baltimore No. 2 mine of the Delaware and Hudson Company in this city. The disaster is, with one exception, the greatest that has ever occurred in this vicinity.

More than one hundred mine workers were riding to their work, being crowded into what is known as a trip of mine cars, drawn by a motor. The fear car carried twelve kegs of blasting powder. The trolley wire snapped when the train had gone about 200 feet from the entrance, and sparks that it emitted touched off the powder.

**Bodies Terribly Mangled.**  
There was a great roar, and in an instant every man or boy on the train was either dead or dying. Terribly mangled bodies were found by the rescue crew, which instantly rushed into the mine. The fire-fighters, working frantically, succeeded in quickly subduing the flames which followed. Then followed the gruesome work of taking the dead and injured out. Those who had not already succumbed were so badly burned that in nearly every case death is a matter of only a short time.

Violation of the mine laws of the State is said to have caused the great loss of life. One of the most drastic provisions of the anthracite mine code is the section forbidding the transportation of men on a car or train which carries explosives. Investigation will disclose whether the men or the company are responsible for this violation of the law.

**Bodies on Fire.**  
Some of the first bodies brought from the tunnel were burning when they reached the surface. Clothes had been burned away, and the flesh was roasting from the intense heat.

At 10.30 o'clock the company officials announced that 71 men were dead and that 35 were in hospitals. It was said that the death list will increase.

Along the side of the tunnel is a creek, and at the flash of the flames some men who were walking along the side of the trip of cars dropped into the water and saved their lives.

**"A Veritable Hell."**  
Thomas Dougherty, one of the survivors, in discussing the catastrophe, said:

"We were riding along about fifty feet in the tunnel. There was a blinding flash. I was thrown from the car. I saw the water and hurled myself into it. Bodies were all about and the flames were terrific. We were in a veritable hell."

It seemed like the irony of fate that over the mouth of the tunnel, in great big white letters, are painted the words, "Safety first."

Identification of the bodies is almost impossible. Many of them are charred beyond recognition. The limbs of some and the heads of others are missing. At 9.30 a. m. it was said that between 75 and 100 were killed or had died from injuries.

**Pathetic Scenes.**  
The death list is rapidly growing. As the bodies were removed from the mine, living and dead, they were piled on the green about the colliery. Many of the injured lived but a short time. Hundreds of men, women and children gathered about the tunnel.

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Squeeze the juice of two lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white, shake well, and you have a quarter pint of the best freckle and tan lotion, and complexion beautifier, at very, very small cost.

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**REAPING BENEFIT**

**From the Experience of Walhalla People.**

We are fortunate, indeed, to be able to profit by the experience of our neighbors. The public utterances of Walhalla residents on the following subject will interest and benefit many of our readers. Read this statement. No better proof can be had.

B. Oelkers, W. Main St., Walhalla, gave the following statement March 16, 1911: "My kidneys were out of order and my back pained awfully. I had other symptoms of kidney complaint, too. I was advised to take Doan's Kidney Pills and did. They soon completely cured me."

On April 10, 1918, Mr. Oelkers said: "I think just as highly of Doan's Kidney Pills now as when I endorsed them before. I am glad to recommend them at any time for they surely did me a great deal of good. I confirm my former endorsement."

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Shrieking and crying, they lifted the blankets from the men. They were terrified at the sight. Women fainted, men lost their nerves and children ran away in fright. The bodies of scores have been removed to the morgues. There the work of identification is being carried out with little success. Brave men and women are seeking to aid the relatives, to give them news, but the scene is pitiful.

**Many Killed Outright.**  
The death list was made large by the flames and the sulphur fumes, which filled the tunnel. The fire did not last long, but it was long enough to make a heavy death toll.

**CROSS KIDS**

Don't say "they're just bad." Something else is the matter with them. Probably it's "worms".

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**PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE**

Is Urged by Governor General Harrison Before Committee.

Washington, June 5.—Independence of the Philippine Islands was urged by Governor General Harrison to-day at a joint session of the House and Senate committees holding hearings on the memorial presented yesterday by the Philippine mission to the United States.

"I am glad to go on record and support most heartily the request of the Philippines that this government grant them their independence," the Governor said. "They have established a stable government which meets the American requirements in every way."

Asked regarding possible exploitation of the Philippines by the Japanese, Governor Harrison said that the Japanese question does not loom as large in the islands as in this country. "The Japanese do not take kindly to life in the tropics," he said, "and I do not believe they ever would attempt to colonize a tropical country."

**THE PIEDMONT NORMAL SCHOOL**  
For Men and Women to be Held at Anderson College This Month.

To the Teachers of Oconee County:  
The Piedmont Normal Summer School for men and women, to be held at Anderson College beginning June 24th, offers strong courses for prospective teachers, rural and high school teachers, for college entrance credit, and for the renewal of teachers' licenses.

The faculty is composed of some of the strongest educators in the South, among them being Luceo Gunter, State Supervisor of Rural Schools; J. A. Stoddard, State High School Inspector; A. C. Reid, Anderson College; J. C. C. Dunford, professor of mathematics and Bible, Anderson College, and Hubert McNeil, former professor of Latin in Wako Forest College.

Among the noted lecturers are W. J. Bryan, Governor Cooper, Superintendent Swearingin, and James P. Whyte, dean of Anderson College. I shall have charge of the classes in geography and will assist in the athletics. I shall be glad to meet a large number of Oconee teachers and have them in my classes.

Cordially yours,  
H. W. Gasque.

**EUROPE NEEDS MUCH GRAIN.**

Much of Supply Will Have to Be Furnished by United States.

Paris, June 4.—A preliminary survey of the import necessities of Europe, except Russia, shows that the area will need 700,000,000 bushels of wheat and rye at a minimum, or 850,000,000 bushels as a possible maximum, Herbert C. Hoover, head of the Allied Relief Organization, said in a statement issued to-day. The export surplus of wheat and rye from the larger exporting countries indicate that the needs of Europe can be met. Mr. Hoover estimates the exports of the United States at 470,000,000 bushels. Consumption in the United States has increased to a remarkable degree, he says.

"Through our organization and in co-operation with the various governments," the statement says, "we have completed a preliminary survey of the food prospects of Europe and the import necessities, outside Russia, for the harvest year, beginning August 1, and the world's supplies available to meet these demands."

"We estimate the total prospective European yield of wheat and rye outside Russia, as of May 1, after deducting seed, at 1,550,000,000 bushels. This indicates a crop of about 77 per cent of pre-war normal. The pre-war consumption, outside of seed, was about 2,500,000,000 bushels, indicating a net import of about 950,000,000 bushels if consumption were normal next year. The somewhat diminished populations, and the diminished buying power, militate against full normal consumption, but the least possible consumption, with the maintenance of public health, we estimate at 2,250,000,000 bushels, or an import on a minimum basis of about 700,000,000 bushels."

**Rainfall and Temperature.**

Below is a record of meteorological observations taken by H. W. Brandt, co-operative observer of the Weather Bureau of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, during the week ending June 1st, 1919, at 7 p. m. (The instrumental readings are from government standard instruments exposed in the manner recommended by the chief of the Weather Bureau):

Character of Day.	Temperature.		
	Rainfall.	Highest.	Lowest.
Date—			
May 26—Ptyly cldy.	.03	81	65
May 27—Cloudy.	.09	83	62
May 28—Ptyly cldy.	.—	86	63
May 29—Cloudy.	.50	78	67
May 30—Ptyly cldy.	.—	85	69
May 31—Ptyly cldy.	.—	85	67
June 1—Clear.	.—	87	63
Total rainfall.	.62		
Rainfall for May, 7.72 inches.			

**Policeman Held for Murder.**

Columbia, June 5.—The Richland county grand jury has issued a true bill for murder against Eugene M. Lancaster, traffic policeman for the city of Columbia, for the killing of his wife and Newton S. Lorick here last Wednesday afternoon.

Lancaster shot his wife five times and Lorick six times when he met them coming over the Gervais street bridge in Lorick's automobile together. They died almost instantly. It is said that Lancaster was prompted to his deed through marital infidelity and alleged infidelity on the part of his wife.

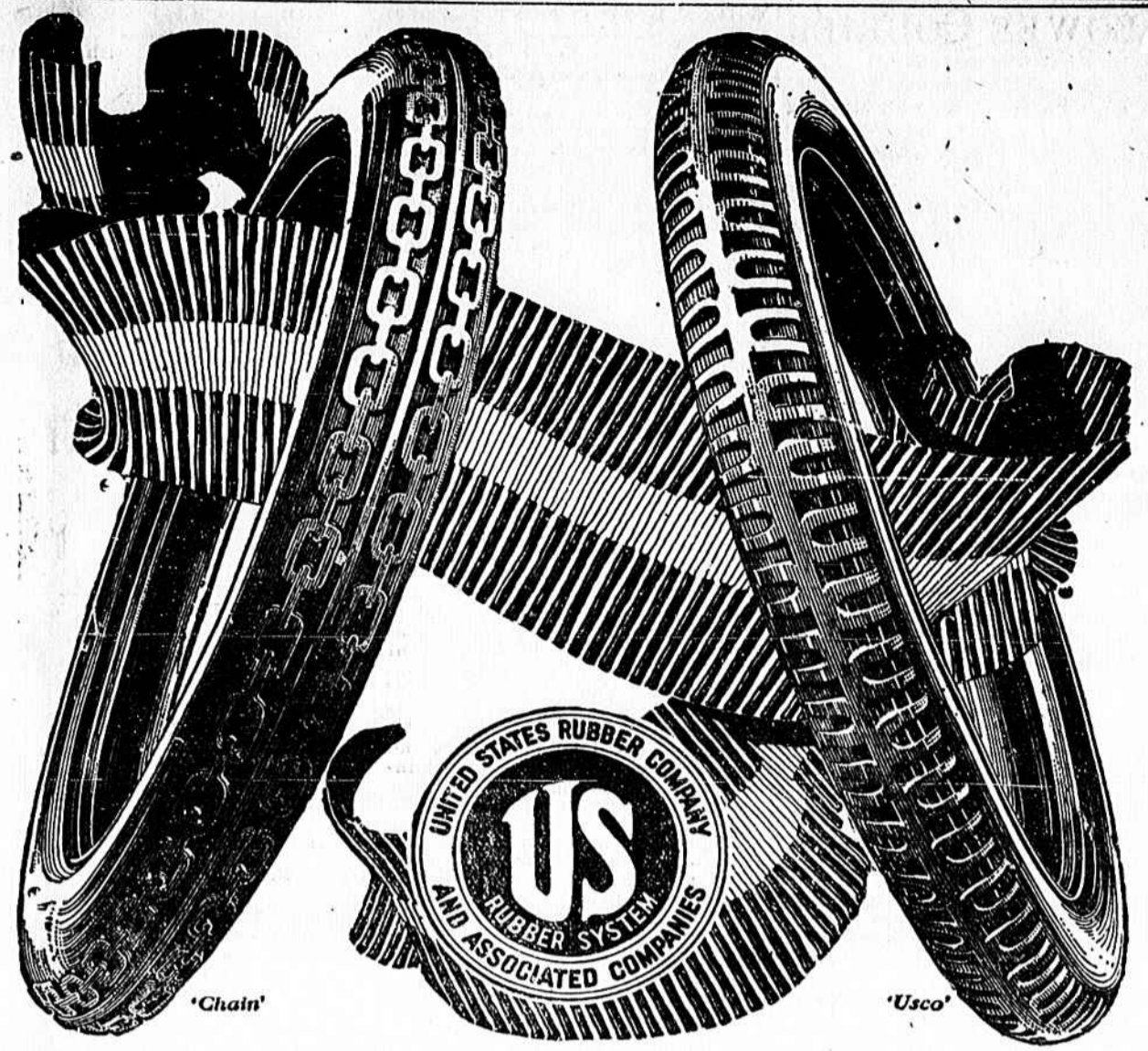
**SAVINGS THRIFT STAMPS. BUY THEM THIS WEEK!**

**HOW MRS. BOYD AVOIDED AN OPERATION**

Canton, Ohio.—"I suffered from a female trouble which caused me much suffering, and two doctors decided that I would have to go through an operation before I could get well. My mother, who had been helped by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, advised me to try it before submitting to an operation. It relieved me from my troubles so I can do my house work without any difficulty. I advise any woman who is afflicted with female troubles to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial and it will do as much for them."—Mrs. MARIE BOYD, 1421 5th St., N. E., Canton, Ohio.

Sometimes there are serious conditions where a hospital operation is the only alternative, but on the other hand so many women have been cured by this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, after doctors have said that an operation was necessary—every woman who wants to avoid an operation should give it a fair trial before submitting to such a trying ordeal.

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**RECENT GIFTS TO THE D. A. R.**

Industrial School at Tamasee—Not a Few from the War Camps.

In addition to the generous contributions which have been received during the past two years to aid the D. A. R. Industrial School, there continue to come gracious gifts of individuals and D. A. R. chapters from the various States of the Union, as well as our own South Carolina.

From Camps Seyler and Wadsworth have come books, flags, table ware and kitchen utensils; Iron beds from Nathaniel Greene Chapter of Greenville; tables and chairs from Cowpens Chapter, of Spartanburg; twenty-five boxes of bed linen, comforts, blankets, quilts, table linen and china from individuals and chapters over the State.

Two new foundships have been received recently. E. W. Masters, of Anderson, gives one; James F. and Mack Neville, of West Union, give the other.

Miss Margaret Childs, of Columbia, has asked to finish the living room in memory of her mother, Mrs. L. D. Childs.

Mrs. Joe Bailey, of Clinton, is finishing one teacher's room as a memorial to her mother, Mrs. Vance.

Mrs. Will Bailey, of Clinton, will complete the second teacher's room in memory of her father, Dr. Jacobs.

The Wizard of Tamasee Chapter of Seneca and Andrew Pickens Chapter of Clemson will jointly finish and furnish the dining room.

The chapters of Camden and Kingstree will complete the bath room and linen closet.

The Catechee Chapter of Anderson wishes to finish the hall and stairway.

Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Murray, of Columbia, have given, through the Columbia Chapter, fifty dollars towards the completion of any needed room. This sum will most probably be used to finish the front piazza or hall.

The two dormitories, cloak room and kitchen are yet to be provided for, a chimney has to be built and the entire building painted. Can you think of any more beautiful way in which to keep green the memory of some loved one than to invest some of the gold with which you have been blessed in the minds and hearts of our young American womanhood and manhood?

**McClure Reunion in August.**

We are in receipt of the following invitation, which we are urged to accept personally and to publish for the information of all concerned:

The relatives and friends of the late Edward Jefferson McClure are respectfully invited to be present at a reunion on August 6th, 1919, at Old Roberts church. Come and let's have a good time. Invite your friends, bring well-filled baskets. Do not forget the time and place.

The committee on arrangements is as follows: T. P. Hobson, chairman; W. J. McClure, J. Mack King, T. S. Whitaker, T. W. McClure, D. S. Hobson, S. A. Burnes.

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