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HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI TUESDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 16, 1912

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1,350 VICTIMS AT BOTTOM OF SEA

TERRIBLE CONDITIONS ARE INTENSIFIED BY RAINS

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MET DEATH BY ELECTROCUTION

Herbert M. Wright, Employee of Tele-
phone Company, Killed Yesterday
Afternoon.

Herbert M. Wright, aged 23, was
instantly killed at three o'clock Mon-
day afternoon at the corner of 12th
avenue and Hardy street, by coming
in contact with a live wire, while
working at the top of a telephone
pole.

Mr. Wright, who was assisting Cray-
ton Foster and C. Watkins in laying
a line of wire to the ball park, was
a "ground" man. That is, he was not
supposed to do any work at the top of
the pole. On this occasion, he asked to
be allowed to finish the job and his
companions assented. Hardly had he
reached the top, when he suddenly
cried out and was seen to clutch the
overhanging wires. Foster and Wat-
kins climbed the pole and carried the
unfortunate man to the ground. Death
had evidently been instantaneous. His
hands were badly scorched and a large
part of one of his legs frightfully
burned, where it had come in contact
with the live wire.

Mr. Wright had been with the Cum-
berland Telephone & Telegraph Co.
for about nine months. He was pre-
paring for the ministry, and according
to Manager Flint and others who
knew him, was a most exemplary
young man. He made his home with
his sister, Mrs. Gates, who resides at
900 River avenue.

The body was shipped last night to
Ethel, La., the former home of Mr.
Wright, where the funeral will occur
today.

The parents of the unfortunate
young man are both dead, but he has
two brothers in Baton Rouge, La., who
were notified of his death last night.

BRYAN INVADERS OHIO.
Columbus, Ohio, April 16.—W. J.
Bryan invaded a dozen Ohio counties
yesterday, carrying out his purpose of
taking his fight against the presiden-
tial nomination of Governor Harmon
almost to the doorway of the state
executive. He ended the day's cam-
paigning with an address here at a
banquet given by the Jefferson Club,
of Columbus.

Large Timber and R. R. Deal on Foot is Rumor

Several weeks ago, the Fernwood
Lumber Co., located at Fernwood,
Pike county, acquired from the J. J.
White Lumber Co. timber rights and
property valued at over one million
dollars.

Now rumor has it that L. C. Enoch,
P. H. Enoch, F. H. Enoch and T. E.
Enoch have purchased from W. S. F.
Tatum, the latter's rights to right-of-
way and trackage that extends twelve
miles from Hattiesburg to a point be-
yond Black Creek in Lamar county.
The Fernwood Company have already
the same track mileage reaching from
Tylertown to a point within twelve
miles of Columbia. By building about
thirty-five miles of road between the
two tracks already built connections
can be made with the Illinois Cen-

Work at Normal College is Progressing Satisfactorily

Work on the Normal College build-
ings is progressing rapidly. The Pres-
ident's home is nearing the final
stages of completion. All exterior
work is about done and laths are up
for the plaster. Cottage B, adjoin-
ing the President's home is also ready
for the plasterers, and in another
week it is expected they will be ready
for occupancy. The Central Electric
Company are putting in the "vaniz-
ed" piping for holding the wiring, which

MISS QUIMBY FIRST WOMAN TO CROSS CHANNEL.

(By Associated Press.)
Dover, April 16.—Miss Harriet
Quimby, an American aviatrix,
crossed the English Channel from
this point this morning landing
at Hardlot, France. She is the
first woman to accomplish the
feat of flying across the channel
alone. The flight was made in
two hours.

RAIN DOES DAMAGE AT NEW AUGUSTA

Captain A. H. McSwain, returned
last night from New Augusta, and
states that the heavy rainfall in that
vicinity in the last few days has de-
moralized lumber and farming opera-
tions to a great extent. Mr. Mc-
Swain's mill on account of the im-
possibility to do logging with roads in
their present condition was closed
down yesterday and no attempt will
be made to resume operations until
more settled weather prevails.

Many farmers in the section will re-
plant, and in a great many instances
it will be necessary to refertilize.
Corn will not be effected it is thought,
but many varieties of truck will suffer
very much.

JUSTICE COURTS ARE STILL GRINDING AWAY

In Judge Powe's court yesterday
three negroes, John Tart, Eddy Carr
and Buck Mines were given fines of
\$5 and costs for gambling. Felix Bell
and Tom Kennedy, plead guilty to a
charge of assault and battery and
were assessed \$250 and costs. Five
civil services were disposed of. The
case of Rubenstein vs. Logan was de-
cided in favor of the defendant in the
case. Barnes and Clark vs. James L.
Davis was by default declared in favor
of the plaintiffs. The three other
cases were continued.

This morning two cases for tres-
passing came up before Judge Greer.
The plaintiff in the case was the
Newman Lumber Co. and two ne-
groes, Dallas Grimes and Jim Jones
were fined \$5 and costs.

Most Appalling Disaster in History of the Deep When Steamer Titanic Sinks

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OTHER NOTED DISASTERS

(Special Associated Press Service To The Daily News.)
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that the wreck of the world's greatest steamer took with her about 1,350
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addition to those aboard the Carpathia, but this was dispelled at noon when
both reported to the contrary. The Carpathia is coming slowly to New
York.

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and it will be in direct communication with Sable Island tonight and Nan-
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partial list of survivors by wireless.

All night the offices of the company
here was besieged by relatives of the
passengers where wealth and poverty
rubbed elbows, many leaving the scene
tearfully and without hope.

Virginia and Parisian Have No Sur-
vivors Aboard.

Wireless messages from the steam-
ers Virginian and Parisian say they
have no survivors of Titanic aboard.

Officials Beseiged by Grief Stricken
Relatives.

Officials of the company have little
news to impart. Wireless operators
worked throughout the night trying
to get information from the scene,
but were handicapped by a thunder-
storm which finally silenced wireless
communication.

Gradually the names of the rescued
began to come through and these were
posted at the offices of the company.
There were some who scanned the list
and turned away with faces showing
hopes realized but many who came
were disappointed and grief-stricken.

A squad of police and an extra force
of clerks called to care for the in-
quiries. President Taft telegraphed
the company for information about
Archibald Butt and was promised im-
mediate reply if anything was learn-
ed. Vincent Astor, son of Col. Astor,
remained up throughout the night try-
ing to learn the fate of his father.

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