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TWO NEGROES BURNED BY MOBS IN THE NORTH

PENNSYLVANIA AND OKLAHOMA THE SCENES OF THE HORRIBLE CRIMES.

OFFICERS DID NOT INTERFERE

Pennsylvania Negro Killed a Policeman and the Other One Oklahoma Attacked a White Woman—Pleas of Victims Ignored.

(By Associated Press.)

Coatesville, Penn., Aug. 14.—Intense excitement and indignation prevailed here today over the burning last night of Zachariah Walker, a negro charged with killing Edgar Rice, a policeman. Walker was dragged from the hospital where he lay wounded and taken away on a cot, the mob gathering fence rails, timber for pyre as it went along. Matches were applied to the weeds and grass around the cot and the flames burst forth, burning the cords binding the negro. Walker leaped from the cot and tried to escape, but the mob flung him writhing back into the flames, which soon reduced his body to ashes.

The negro had shot and killed Edgar Rice, a special policeman of the North Iron Mills and he was dragged to the scene of the shooting, begging piteously for mercy. He had been arrested by a posse late in the afternoon after a search which had stirred the countryside.

When the posse finally located Walker, he was found hiding in a cherry tree, and with the last bullet in his revolver shot himself in the mouth, falling from the tree. He was removed to the hospital and placed under police guard.

Mob of Almost a Thousand.

A few minutes after 1 o'clock a crowd, numbering almost 1,000 persons, appeared at the hospital. The leaders were unable to gain admission, but quickly smashed the window frames and crawled through the corridor. A policeman, who had been placed on duty to watch Walker, was the only person in the building besides the nurses and patients. The leader of the mob placed his hands over the policeman's eyes, while others who had entered the building set about to take their man from the hospital.

When Walker was taken to the hospital, he was strapped down in order to prevent his escape. The mob, seeing this, gathered up the bed, and placing it on the shoulders of four men, started for the country. They left the town and when half a mile from the hospital stopped at a farmhouse.

Pleas Were in Vain.

Here the mob entered a field and, quickly gathering up a pile of dry grass and weeds, placed the bed containing their victim upon it. The negro begged piteously to be released, but his pleadings fell upon deaf ears.

A match was placed to the pile of grass and the flames shot up quickly, entirely encircling the screaming victim. That not a vestige of the murdered negro was left, the mob tore down the fence along the road and piled the rails upon the burning negro.

After waiting for half an hour, the mob dispersed as quickly as it had come. A curious feature of the burning was the fact that there were almost as many women in the crowd as men.

During the march from the hospital to the scene of the burning of the negro not a policeman was encountered by the mob. Even the man on duty at the hospital made no effort to stop the fifteen or more leaders, who had gained admission to the institution. The only mask worn by its members were handkerchiefs drawn loosely over their faces.

That the burning of the negro was designed carefully beforehand there can be no doubt. It was the work of men ready to take any kind of a chance to avenge the death of a respectable citizen, who had been shot down in cold blood.

Coatesville is a town of about 10,000 persons, and is located on the main line of the Pennsylvania rail-

road, thirty miles west of Philadelphia.

Durant, Okla., August 14.—A mob of 500 whites yesterday captured and shot to death an unidentified negro, who yesterday attacked and shot Mrs. Redden Campbell near here, and afterward burned the negro's body.

The negro was killed after a running fight lasting more than an hour, in which he exhausted his ammunition, returning the fire of his pursuers.

When he fell, volley after volley of bullets were poured into his body by the advancing mob. It was then taken to the home of his victim. Nearly dead from her injuries, Mrs. Campbell identified it as that of her assailant. The mob then burned the corpse.

Every effort is being made to apprehend the leaders of the mob which cremated the negro. The blacks have been warned to leave Durant. Many left this morning.

MR. BRYAN WON'T ENTER MINISTRY

Says He Intends to Devote His Life to Study and Discussion of Public Questions.

(By Associated Press.)

Salem, Ill., Aug. 14.—William J. Bryan, who visited Salem, his birthplace, yesterday, was shown dispatches reporting he intended entering the ministry.

"It provokes me very much to have such a story circulated," said Mr. Bryan. "I do not know whether to attribute it to over-zeal on the part of my friends or to the malice of enemies."

"I have never said or done anything to furnish a foundation for such a story, and I hope it will not be necessary for me to deny it again."

"I speak on religious subjects, as I do on educational subjects, as well as on economic and political questions, and I have not had any thought of abandoning politics for the ministry or any other calling."

"I expect to make the study and discussion of public questions my chief business while I live; other things are incidental."

In the afternoon Mr. Bryan went to the cemetery and there, at the graves of his father and mother, passed several minutes in silent solemn meditation.

At the Methodist church he delivered an address on "The Old Religion" in the presence of a large audience.

ATWOOD IS FLYING TOWARDS NEW YORK

(By Associated Press.)

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 14.—Aviator Atwood, flying three hundred feet up and speeding toward Chicago at the rate of fifty miles an hour, passed over this city at 10:30 o'clock this morning. The time from St. Louis here was ninety-eight miles in 2:25. Atwood is flying to New York.

Atwood sailed north of the city and landed. He will continue to Chicago at three o'clock.

MINISTER'S FUNERAL

Jackson, Miss., Aug. 14.—The remains of Rev. J. W. McLaurin arrived this afternoon from Montegale, Tenn., where his sudden death occurred. He will be buried from the First Methodist church, Presiding Elder Jones officiating, assisted by Rev. A. F. Smith and Rev. J. M. Morse. Mr. McLaurin was seventy years of age.

He was a cousin of the late Senator A. J. McLaurin and for many years has been on the superannuated roll of this conference. He owned considerable property in this city and had hosts of friends wherever he was known. During his active ministry he has filled some of the leading churches of Mississippi.

REVOLVER FIGHT AT POPLARVILLE

Railroad Agent And Groceryman Meet

And Resort to Weapons—Wounds Not Serious.

Poplarville, Miss., Aug. 14.—A sensational revolver fight occurred on Main street, just in front of the post office, at about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The participants were R. B. Boyett, railroad agent at this place, and J. W. Bradshaw, a groceryman. The trouble dates back to a dispute between the two about a week ago, when Boyett caused Bradshaw to be arrested. Last Friday night a notice was placed on the front door of Bradshaw's store which read as follows:

"Bradshaw
"Notice,
"You are disliked and I found here
"on Wednesday, you will be severely
"handled."

Just under these words, was a rough drawing of a coffin, a "skull and cross bones" and a man with a disfigured eye with the words, "Bad Eye" at his head.

Mr. Boyett, hearing that Bradshaw had accused him of placing the notice on his door and said that he would kill him (Boyett), approached him on the street and asked him if it was true that he had been making these statements. Bradshaw promptly denied them, but while they were talking, Bradshaw drew from his pocket a double barreled derringer, and before Boyett was aware of his danger began firing. Mr. Boyett struck Bradshaw with a walking stick which he carried, and after having been shot twice he drew a thirty-eight calibre Smith & Wesson and emptied it at his opponent who had started to draw from another pocket a Luger automatic.

Boyett's wounds consist of a flesh wound in the right arm and in the left hip, while Bradshaw only was struck once, the bullet passing through his left arm into his side, ranging to the front, where it lodged without causing a very serious wound.

FIND STONE-AGE RELICS.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 14.—A stone coffin containing a skeleton, food and implements of the stone age, has been discovered in a cave in the Aland Isles. The character of the weapons and implements indicates they are of a period at least 3,000 B. C., when the Aland Isles were submerged, the coffin and its contents having been lowered in a depression in the seabed, which accounts for its wonderful preservation.

REAL ESTATE DEALS IN CITY AND COUNTRY

Deeds have been filed showing the following real estate transfers in Hattiesburg:

\$12,000—D. J. Sutherland to Mrs. M. F. Sutherland, lots five and one in the Crittendon survey; several lots in the Brown and Fuller survey and the Camp, Sutherland and Reeves addition.

\$425—A. D. Hartfield to T. W. Cox, part of section seven, township two, range 12, south of Wall's creek. The tract contains about 100 acres.

\$475—Mrs. Eldora Hammond and Lewis Hammond to V. B. Edmonson, land in section 23, township 5, range 14.

NAVAL MARKSMEN TO SHOOT AT AIRSHIPS

Boston, Aug. 14.—Aeroplane practice is to be the feature of the naval maneuvers off Provincetown today and tomorrow. A score of big box kites constructed by order of the department are to be fired at first with rifles and later with three-inch guns. The kites simulate airships in size and shape.

To make the marksmanship more difficult, targets will be suspended from the kites, and the marks will be shot at by sharpshooters of the battalions while the latter are under steam and at anchor. All divisions of the fleet will take part in the practice.

CONGRESS WILL SETTLE TARIFF QUESTION SOON

ADJOURNMENT LIKELY TO OCCUR THIS WEEK—SOLONS WANT TO GO HOME.

REVOLUTIONISTS MAY YIELD

All the Power of the Democrats in the House and of Democratic-Insurgent Coalition in the Senate is Evidently Centered on Quick Action

Washington, Aug. 14.—The whole tariff revision legislation question will be settled this week, which in all probability will mark the closing of congress. Almost all of the members of both houses are anxious to get home despite the vociferations of the revisionists that they willingly would remain in session until autumn if the legislation they want could be enacted.

All the power of the Democratic party now controls the house for the first time in many years and of the effective Democratic-Progressive coalition in the senate would be centered on quick action in the trio of pending tariff measures. This means in the belief of leaders of both parties an adjournment possibly by the end of the week or at any rate within a few days thereafter.

Out of the present tangled situation, with the three tariff bills, wool, free list and cotton in varying stages of legislation, the wool measure will be the first to emerge. A complete agreement between the two houses has been reached on this bit of legislation which provides for a basic average duty of 29 per cent ad valorem on raw wool, with the wool classification provisions identically as framed by Democratic Leader Underwood of the house, making a flat tariff on all wools. It will be rushed past its final stage in the house by adoption of the conference report on Monday and then hurried to the senate for adoption there if possible on Tuesday and then on to the expected presidential veto which awaits all the tariff revision bills.

Everything hinges on that veto and the immediately subsequent move in the house. The Democratic leaders are sure of the passage of the bill over the president's veto in the house but are not confident of the outcome in the senate.

TOWN GETS EXCHANGE.

Jacksn, Miss., Aug. 14.—The town of Raymond will soon have a modern telephone exchange. The material is already on the ground at that place for an exchange which will be erected by the Cumberland Telephone Co. The town of McGee has just completed a new exchange.

GREAT HIGHWAY IN TENNESSEE

Volunteers Begin Construction of Great Memphis-to-Bristol Road Today.

Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 14.—Thousands of volunteers, laboring without pay, today began the construction of the great highway across Tennessee from Memphis to Bristol. Roads already constructed will be improved and about forty miles of road through the mountains of eastern Tennessee and nearly a hundred miles in the central and western portions of the state will be built. When completed, the highway will be among the best of its kind in the world and will have a total length of more than 500 miles.

THE WEATHER.

Local showers tonight or Tuesday.

H. C. BEATTIE FOUND GUILTY

Indicted By The Grand Jury For The Murder of His Young Wife.

Murder of His Young Wife.

Chesterfield, Va., Aug. 14.—An indictment charging H. C. Beattie, Jr., with the murder of his wife, was returned by the grand jury this afternoon.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 14.—In the old Chesterfield court house, five miles from Richmond, a grand jury met today to take up the case of Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., the twenty-six year old son of a Manchester banker, who is charged with the cold-blooded murder of his beautiful young wife, who was shot to death while riding with her husband in his automobile on the Midlothian turnpike the night of July 18. The victim of the terrible deed had only recently given birth to a child and was taking her first outing following her confinement.

Painters and paper-hangers had put in their best efforts on the old court house and it presented a spick and span appearance today when the grand jurors assembled to begin their inquiry into the most sensational crime that has startled Virginians in a generation. The indictment, which has been passed on by some of the best attorneys of the Old Dominion and declared to be flawless, is ready for the signatures of the grand jurors.

Seventeen-year-old Beulah Blinford, the pretty but wild little girl whose intimacy with Beattie is believed to have led to the tragedy, and Paul D. Beattie, a cousin of the accused, who says that he bought for Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., the shotgun with which the shooting was done, are the principal witnesses, and have been held in jail in order that their testimony may be certainly available when needed.

Beattie continues to insist that it was a highwayman, with a shotgun, who held him up and who shot Mrs. Beattie. This account of the crime he gave out when he drove his automobile into Richmond on the night of the crime, holding the blood-stained body of his dead wife in his arms. A pathetic phase of the case is that the father of Beattie and the parents of the wife he is alleged to have killed continue on friendly terms. Mr. Owen, father of the victim, simply declares "Let justice be done."

WOMAN AND MAN ARRESTED SATURDAY

The rooms occupied by a white woman as a dress-making establishment in the old postoffice building, opposite the new government building on West Pine street were raided by Deputy Sheriff D. G. McGilvray Saturday night. As a result of the raid a local telegraph operator for the New Orleans & Northeastern railroad is in jail and a woman found with him is out on bond, awaiting a hearing to be held before Justice E. J. Wall on the 24th inst.

DIAZ CONTINUES TO BE HONORED BY FRENCH

(By Associated Press.)

Paris, Aug. 14.—Former President Diaz of Mexico, who has returned to France after a visit to Germany, continues to receive honors from the French Government. After being officially welcomed at the Museum of the Invalides, General Diaz was received by the City of Paris at the City Hall.

General Diaz met at the Invalides General Lanas and General Farny, both of whom fought with him in the war at Mexico. The Mexican is a great admirer of Napoleon, and often during the visit he stopped to declare

FAST TRAIN DITCHED WITH FATAL RESULT

TWO KNOWN TO BE DEAD AND THIRTY-THREE INJURED—OTHERS MAY DIE.

ENGINE SIDESWIPED ANOTHER

The Seriously Injured Were Seated in the Dining Car and Smoker—Track Torn Up For Two Hundred Yards.

(By Associated Press.)

Fort Wayne, Ind., Aug. 14.—The revised list of victims of the wreck of the Chicago-New York eighteen-hour "Pennsylvania Flyer" which jumped the track near here last night shows two dead, two missing and thirty three injured. It is practically certain that of the missing men, the engineer and fireman are dead.

The known dead are the freight engineer and baggageman. The train jumped the track on the western outskirts of Fort Wayne while going at the rate of eighty miles an hour. In leaving the rails the two engines pulling the passenger train side-swiped a freight engine, and the three piled up in a mass of bent and twisted iron. The baggage car, smoker, buffet and two sleepers turned over in the ditch. Most of the injured were seated in the diner and smoker when the accident occurred. The wreckage has not yet been cleared and the list of dead may be more than the number first reported. The injured are now in the hospitals and hotels, and it is believed that at least four or five will die.

FARMERS' UNION LABOR PROBLEM

The Organization in Texas Forced to Yield to Wishes of Organized Labor.

(By Associated Press.)

Houston, Texas, Aug. 14.—A difficult situation has arisen within the ranks of the Farmers' Union of Texas as when they found organized labor of the nation was against their plan of securing convict-operated rope factories in Texas to increase the consumption of cotton.

This scheme has long been cherished by the Farmers' Union to promote the use of Texas cotton, which they hoped would cause an increase in price. It was proposed to place the factory near Houston in place of the dismantled convict iron plant at Rusk. The matter had gotten as far as the legislature when organized labor stepped in and placed thumbs down on the project.

At a recent meeting at Fort Worth, W. H. Wisner, of New York, president of the United Garment Workers of America, voiced the protest of organized labor against the proposed venture, apprising the Farmers' Union of an ethical oversight. In consequence, if a rope factory be established near Houston it will be manned by union labor and not by convicts.

CONVICT TRANSFERRED.

Jackson, Miss., Aug. 14.—Dan Maybe, a convict at Rankin farm, serving a life sentence for the murder of a young man by the name of Reber, has been transferred to Oakley where the state has some buildings in progress. He is a fine carpenter.

REGISTRATION FOR NORTH DAKOTA LAND

Minot, N. D., Aug. 14.—Registration commenced today for the 342,000 acres of land in the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation in North Dakota, thrown open to settlement by proclamation of President Taft. Vast throngs of home-seekers are already in line and every train brings scores or hundreds more, all eager to get a farm in this rich section of North Dakota. Every part of the Union is represented in the cosmopolitan assemblage.

Any American citizen or alien who has declared his intention of becoming such, and who has not already exercised his homestead right, or who is not already the owner of more than 160 acres of land, is eligible to register. The big tract is located in McLean county and has good railroad facilities. The larger part has a soil dark brown in color, the top being an alluvial deposit excellent for growing all sorts of cereals and vegetables. It is underlaid with clay sub-soil. Most of the tract is free of stoness and capable of being easily worked.

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The probable dead are: William E. Arrick, freight engineer, buried under wreckage. Peter Malone, Fort Wayne, engineer on flyer. W. Creigh, Fort Wayne, fireman on flyer. Unidentified passenger, at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Among the seriously injured are: Snyder, Crestline, Ohio, baggageman; fractured skull, internal injuries, is in critical condition. F. B. Probs, Chicago, steward dining car; right arm broken, scalp wounds. Ed Cohn, New York City; left eye injured. E. J. Messager, Milwaukee; left hand and legs crushed. Thomas Thomas, East Palestine, O.; right hip bruised, cut on face and abdomen bruised. L. B. Havens, aviator, New York City; hands and arms cut. N. H. Crawford, Philadelphia; cut on forehead.

R. B. Russell, Toronto; right ear torn off, face mashed, left collarbone broken. Sam Rosenthal, Grand Forks, N. D.; left hip dislocated. Victor Rowers, Mansfield, O., mail clerk; back and foot injured. James E. Sullivan, New York City; internal injuries.

The police department, the fire department and every ambulance in the city were called to the scene of the accident, and the injured were soon taken to the hospitals. At least fifty doctors were on the scene within half an hour of the time of the wreck.

The main track and the track which the freight train was standing on were torn up for a distance of yards. The two engines of the wreck were torn from their trucks, thrown down the embankment, and the engine of the freight train, the air over the trucks of the passenger engines.

Passengers in the seven rear cars escaped with only cuts and bruises. C. C. Chattel of Chicago escaped.

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GONE FOR PRISONER.

Jackson, Miss., Aug. 14.—Chief of Police Allen left last night for Salem, N. C., where he goes for E. K. White, a white man who is held there under the charge of being a fugitive from justice. It is alleged that White defrauded certain Jackson people out of a goodly sum of money. Chief Allen holds requisition papers for his return to this city for trial.