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SHOOTING AT BLOUNT'S CREEK ON XMAS DAY RESULTS IN DEATH

WM. BRANCH, COL. LODGED IN JAIL FOR THE CRIME.

Jas. Milton Moore, Shot Through Left Arm Died Tuesday. Both Parties Friendly.

William Branch, colored, was brought to this city Tuesday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff Richard Adams and lodged in jail for the murder of James Milton Moore, also colored, which occurred at the mouth of Blounts Creek Christmas Day. Branch had a preliminary hearing before Justice of the Peace W. A. Crutch at Blounts Creek Tuesday morning and he was committed by the Justice to jail.

The shooting took place about noon on Christmas day and so far as could be learned there was no cause assigned for the shooting only the handling of a shotgun in the hands of Branch. The entire load entered the left arm tearing the muscle all to pieces. Dr. O. Kafer of Edward, N. C., was summoned and rendered surgical aid to the wounded man. The physician endeavored to get Moore's consent for his arm to be amputated; this was refused so blood poisoning was the outcome and the final result was his death Tuesday morning.

Lyric Theatre

The program for tonight will be three reels.
IMPULSE—Majestic Western Drama.
THE ROSARY—Reliance Drama.
AN AMERICAN IN THE MAKING—Thanhouser Drama.

NEWS FROM FUNGO

Christmas has been passing very quietly, the weather being changeable and rainy which made it very disagreeable for our out-of-door sportsmen.

Mr. J. W. Paul, Jr., of Washington, spent Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Paul, Sr.

Mr. F. T. Paul of Washington, spent Christmas with relatives at this place.

Mr. J. D. Paul and wife who are now teaching at High Point, spent Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Paul.

Mr. Robert W. Isley, whose home is in Alamance county, but is now teaching in Currituck county, spent Christmas at this place with two of his schoolmates, Messrs. J. D. and J. W. Paul, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Gray spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Paul and family.

Mr. Harvey Harris and Mrs. R. H. Allen spent Friday and Saturday with friends at Yadonville.

Messrs. J. W. and F. T. Paul returned back to Washington Monday to resume their positions.

CHARLES L. WRIGHT



Among the business changes in Washington today is the announcement that Mr. Charles Wright becomes a member of the firm of Walter Credle & Co. This will carry with genuine pleasure from Mr. Wright's host of friends and patrons throughout the city. For the past six years he has been the head salesman at this popular family grocery and his promotion as a partner is a fitting reward for his worth and popularity. This paper doubts if there is a salesman in Washington today who enjoys a wider circle of friends' Urbane in manner, painstaking and careful, he has engrossed himself in the hearts of his customers so as to ever hold them in his good graces.

The future of Mr. Wright is bright and promising and this paper joins his many friends in extending congratulations upon his promotion. With him as a partner the firm of Walter Credle & Co., has a future more than propitious.

ACCEPTS POSITION

Mr. H. B. Clark, for years a popular citizen of Washington, but for the past several years a resident of Lewiston and Greenville arrived here today to accept a position with the well known firm of Suskin and Berry. He will be pleased to see his many old friends during the coming year.

We regret very much to note the continued illness of Mrs. G. T. Allen who has been very sick for some weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. B. Harris and family of Roper, N. C., spent Christmas with friends and relatives at this place.

A party composed of Messrs. J. D., J. W., R. W. and Luther Paul and Messrs. W. G. Gray and Robt. W. Isley spent Saturday in the precincts engaged in hunting deer, but were not successful in killing any.

Messrs. J. W. and F. T. Paul made a business trip to Washington Monday.

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TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS.

We have just closed the most successful year of our business, and wish to thank you for the very liberal patronage given us, in the past, and trust that our services have been such as to merit a continuance of same. Wishing you the fullest enjoyment of health, peace, prosperity and happiness throughout the New Year, we are,

Yours Respectfully,
RUSE BROTHERS
Proprietors, Variety Store.

THE BATH SCHOOL IS GRATEFUL TO W. BRAGAW FOR GIFT

(By Katie S. Bonner.)
The Bath Public School Reading Room, most sincerely thanks Mr. Wm. Bragaw for his thoughtful gift shown in the following letter which unalloyed comes with the Christmas spirit from a generous heart.

Edward, N. C.
Dear Madam—Complimentary to you and as a slight appreciation of the very excellent work that you are doing we have asked the publishers of McCluer's Magazine to send the same to the Bath Public School Reading Room for twelve months.

We trust that you and the pupils will derive as much pleasure from the receipt thereof as we are acquiring in the sending.

Yours truly,
WM. BRAGAW & CO.
The Bath Debater's Club, organized December 5, held its first debate in the public school reading room December 18.

Mr. S. T. Brooks and Mr. B. O. Searge occupied temporarily the positions respectively of president and secretary, as Mr. W. W. Mason the secretary, were on the debate, the secretary, were on the debate.

The oft-used query Resolved, "That city life is preferable to country life" was supported by Messrs. Guy Elliott and James Tyre. Of the affirmative, and W. W. Mason and Jatha Marsh of the negative. The judges were Messrs. T. A. Brooks, J. Satchwell and H. Latham.

The arguments had thought and wit to recommend them. But best of all the enthusiasm and earnestness of these men and of the crowded room presaged the development of that ability and cooperation which every community, country and state needs.

At this meeting letters from Messrs. N. C. Newbold and N. W. Walker, stating their willingness to come to Bath and speak on education were read, and a unanimous voting vote asked that a definite engagement be made with them.

The neat work in spelling, arithmetic and English for December, averaging \$5 and over of the students was put into booklets of their own making decorated to represent the Christmas season and hung around the room. The effect was good, and the incentive to effort was remarkable. We shall continue this work for each month. Already many booklets' The best of each month's work will remain on the walls until the end of school.

We shall be glad to have visitors inspect this work.

Now we come to the unfortunate circumstance, which is going to tell against in this heroic effort on the part of Bath herself and of the county to establish a truly worthy school which will be so supported and operated as to have a life of its own over and above the individuality of any single teacher. And not only does this unhappy circumstance affect Bath, but every school in the county. I refer to the resignation of Mr. Vaughan, superintendent of education in Beaufort county.

It seems to me a short-sighted policy on the part of the board of education to refuse the office of superintendent at a salary which will make it efficient.

A crisis is on in the educational life of the county, and to put into the superintendency, a new man who must learn by experience and time the needs of the county, is to stop the educational progress for the next four years.

GREETINGS

Time changes and all of us with time, but good friendship changes only by increasing value. This is the Daily News thought as it greets its readers the first day of the year A. D. 1914.

Learn positive White Reply.

White, he was ill. The doctor asked him what he felt. "What I have not felt for a long time," said North, "my ribs." He was, indeed, what used to be termed a man of full habit, and could make a feat of it. In the house an angry opponent once called at him as "that thing, a minister." North rose unperturbed. "Well, to be sure," said he, "my ribs are a-coming." The honorable member, therefore, when he called on a thing said what was true, and he added that thing, a minister. He felt of me that thing of all things he has said since he was born, and I don't know I took it as a compliment. In his blind age he met an old antagonist who was similarly afflicted: "Ah, Col. Barre," said he, "I am persuaded there are not two men living who would be more happy to see each other." Well might Gibson say, "If they turned out Lord North tomorrow they would still leave him one of the best companions in the kingdom."

Only Action Has Weight.

Every man instinctively feels that all the beautiful sentiments in the world weigh less than a single lovely action.—Lowell.

New Management

The Lyric Theater is now under new control. Since it was given up by Mr. H. G. Sparrow it has been under the control of Mr. Gus Dillon, who was connected with the theater for sometime. He is an old-timer at the business. He is thoroughly familiar with the moving show business and is giving the people a first-class performance each night. The advertisement of the Lyric appears elsewhere in today's paper. Mr. Dillon has the best wishes of his friends for success in his new venture.

I understand that the county has a surplus treasury, a surplus of about \$2,000 which must be turned into the state treasury, to be reappropriated among all the counties before we can receive from the state fund, the money to which we are entitled in order to extend our school term to six months.

For these reasons would it not be wiser for our board of education to use a part of this surplus fund to raise the salary of a man who has already learned the work and its needs, and who has definitely advanced the educational standard of the county?

Burdens with the multifold duties arising out of the supervision of the 125 schools in this one of the largest counties of the state, no one man, on insufficient salary can carry on the work satisfactorily to himself, his board, or his teachers.

A very busy man and school committeeman said to me, if he could find some one to do the clerical work he would bear the expense of putting on foot a campaign among the committeemen of the county to ask the board of education to retain Mr. Vaughan, because he believed the committeemen wanted him retained.

Two years ago the teachers asked Mr. Vaughan's retention, and I believe those who know the man and his work want him now.

Herbert M. Holbrook Shot By His Partner R. H. Miles In Barber Shop Today

COUNTY HOME WORK DONE PAST YEAR

(By Miss Bettie Farrow.)
As the old year goes out with its joys and sorrows our thoughts turn backward to the Gospel work at the County Home. We are glad to report that the gospel of love has been carried to these lonely ones, the inmates of the home.

Service is held at the home every third Sunday afternoon. Every appointment has been filled but one and that was owing to a new pastor having an appointment at that time. To have equal work for each minister we added three other meetings.

First, the laymen's meeting. It was planned that a layman from each church should conduct the service. The Methodist and Christian laymen having engagements the following laymen held the service: Mr. Norwood Simmons from the Episcopal church, Mr. John Sparrow from the Presbyterian, Mr. H. H. Simmons from the Baptist. We had a good meeting and fine music, especially the duet by Mrs. Leta Hardy and Miss Mary Thomas. This service was on March 16th.

Second, we had a song service on May 4, conducted by Miss Beadie Conroy and the Episcopal choir. This was very much enjoyed by the inmates who are very fond of music and by the visitors.

Third, the W. C. T. U. held service July 29. Religious prose and poems were read by the members, mingled with appropriate hymns and beautiful duets. The singing was spirited and the service impressive and there was a very large attendance.

Since January, 1913, Revs. Broom Hope, Searight and Dalton have preached twice. Rev. Broom conducted the funeral service Sunday afternoon, February 26, over the remains of Miss Annie Bra, the blind and eldest inmate. Miss Annie was a favorite and great kindness was shown her in her sad affliction. Many members of W. C. T. U. attended her funeral and covered her grave with flowers.

Mr. Broom has been kind in visiting the sick at the home and carrying them fruit. His removal to another work is deplored.

Mr. W. B. Harding held two services. At the last, December 21, he had special Christmas music, conducted by Mr. Edmund Harding, who presided at the organ.

Rev. R. V. Hope conducted the funeral service of Mrs. Byra Sullivan September 16.

Rev. R. L. Gay conducted the funeral service of Mr. S. F. Satterthwaite October 14.

Mr. Elias Bright is still superintendent of the home which is kept clean and the inmates comfortable. There are 18 inmates, 8 white and ten colored.

Three white persons died at the home during the year.

The church societies still give white inmates 25cts per month.

Dr. Jao. G. Blount is county physician. He visits the home besides attending the sick at any time when called. We learn he has been very kind and attentive.

On Thanksgiving post cards were sent to all the inmates by the W. C. T. U. They sent post cards and fruit Christmas. Other friends sent fruit which was very much appreciated. The cards pleased them so much with their brightness and cheer and best Christmas wishes. It made us feel better for the joy it brought to them.

We are glad to hear of the kind note to the inmates of Mr. Ben Susman. For years every Christmas morning he carries them a sack of confection and fruit and a handkerchief. His kindness was too good to be kept and I hope he will pardon my stating his secret out.

The ministers have all been faithful, so willing to fill their appointments. We appreciate their service and thank all who have aided.

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Ball Entered Right Breast; Chances For Recovery are Meagre

The entire city was thrown into intense excitement early this morning when the news became current that Herbert M. Holbrook had been shot by R. H. Miles, partners running the Palace Barber Shop, at the corner of Main and Market streets. The shooting occurred between 8 and 9 o'clock. Holbrook was hit in the right breast and as we go to press his chances for recovery are slight. Miles is now in jail immediately after the shooting Holbrook was carried to the office of Dr. John G. Blount where every attention was given him by Drs. J. G. Blount and D. T. Taylor.

How the misunderstanding between the two men occurred is meagre, but from what can be gathered it seems that they leased the Palace Barber Shop from a stock company owning the business about one year ago. Their lease was to expire on January 6th of this month. Last night a meeting of the stockholders was held in the shop to determine what disposition was to be made of the property the coming year. At this meeting Mr. Holbrook made a proposition to the holders of stock and also Mr. Miles. The stockholders after wrestling with the problem decided to postpone final action until next Monday night not only giving Messrs. Holbrook and Miles a chance for the property but any outsider who desired to make a bid.

This morning when Messrs. Holbrook and Miles went to their business they began to discuss the matter and the final outcome was that a dispute arose between them. It is stated that Holbrook made an advance towards Miles and Miles drew his pistol and shot Holbrook, the ball entering his right breast.

After he was struck by the ball Holbrook ran to the front door and to the street screaming, "I'm shot." He was carried off once to Dr. Blount's office for treatment, and Miles was arrested and lodged in jail.

The affair has caused considerable excitement throughout the city. Both of the young men have become very popular in Washington. Mr. Miles came here from Kershaw, S. C., about three years ago and last year married Miss Maud Faux, one of the city's attractive young ladies. Mr. Holbrook is a native of Hendersonville, N. C., and since his residence here has engrossed himself in the hearts of a large number. He too only a few months ago married one of Washington's highly esteemed young ladies in the person of Miss Annie Bett Shelton.

The shooting is universally regretted, by all classes. Mr. Miles who is now in jail was asked in an interview today by a representative of this paper but he declined to talk, stating that what he had to say would be before the court. The condition of Holbrook is such as to cause alarm from his friends.



A Backward Look By Wilbur D. Nesbit

"Add ye year to year."—Isiah xix, 1.
So goes the old year forth, as goes
A king with no attending train,
As goes a monarch old, who knows
His further effort is in vain.
In stately sequence they have gone—
The courtier months—and now, alone,
The old year proudly falters on,
The new year comes to claim his throne.

But we that stand 's subjects stand
Within the temple of the years
While faints the narrow thread of sand
That in the timeglass now appears—
Should we look out adown the way
Whereon our eager feet would fare,
Or should we gaze at yesterday
And see what is recorded there?

Aye, backward then a moment's space—
Look backward at the dimming hills
Ere yet old time with gentle grace
With drifting haze the distance fills;
Count now the heights which held the goals
Which had been ours to win and keep,
Save that we in our shrinking souls
Feared that the climb was long and steep.

Now the horizon whence we wend
Seems but a path all smooth and fair
Where frowning hill and valley blend,
And any load were light to bear.
Could we go back! Ah, might we go
Once more upon the dwindling way!
The trials would not fret us so—
The trifles, now, of yesterday.

So, in the temple of the years
We gaze back at the fading view—
The composite of laughs and tears—
Then turn to face the roadway new.
The new year comes, as comes a king,
Apparled in rich stuffs and gold—
Grant that unto it we may bring
The good we garnered from the old.



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