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BLOODHOUNDS TO TRAIL OUTLAWS

Hillsville, Va., March 31.—Two keen-scented and well trained hounds, famed for their achievement in disproving Henry Beattie's story of an attack and murder of a lone highwayman, were carried from here yesterday afternoon to Mt. Airy. Today they will be put upon the trail of Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards and



Sidna Allen.

for the first time since their murderous assault upon the Carroll county courthouse, the leaders face a foe against which they have no power or skill to cope. With the dogs on the trail the mountain laurel will be a detriment rather than a refuge to the outlaws. It will be impossible for them to find shelter beneath leaves and laurel while the detectives poke and search within almost any reach. With the dogs on the trail last week Detective Zelts says the capture of Allen and Edwards would have already been effected.

The two dogs, fullblooded Cuban bloodhounds, were brought here at noon yesterday from the Virginia state farm. They were in charge of Trainer B. L. Layne who at 4:45 o'clock left with them for Mount Airy. It was his purpose to begin the journey across the mountains to the point where the posses believe they have the outlaws hemmed immediately upon arrival. He hopes to strike a trail for his dogs about noon today.

The two dogs are the same which were used in the famous Beattie case. When Henry Clay Beattie drove into Richmond with his murdered wife and told a story of an attack by a lone highwayman, these two dogs was hastily sent to the scene. They found no scent other than that which led from and back to the point where the automobile stopped. The man who had trained the dogs and who had seen them in action was positive then that but one man was present when Mrs. Beattie met her death. Mr. Layne, who worked the dogs at that time believes they will play an equally important part in the capture of the Allens. He thinks the mountain laurel will be an aid rather than a detriment to the hounds, and that had they been on the scene last week, it would have been impossible for the outlaws to lay concealed within a few feet of their pursuers, as young Friel Allens claims. Mr. Layne says the dogs are the pick of the Virginia farm pack, which contains 22 full blooded Cuban and English hounds.

While here the dogs were given food and water. They made away with great portions of beef in a manner which would have caused fear to the most hardy—even Sidna Allen would have flickered at the thought of one of those set of teeth taking hold upon the flank of his leg.

The arrival of the dogs will mark a new stage in the noted Virginia man hunt. With them on the scene the cunning of the outlaws will be of no avail. Their wide and intimate knowledge of the mountaineers will be of little value. Once the hounds strike their trail there will be no stop. The zig-zag maneuvers and double back methods which the outlaws have employed to the great

confusion of their human pursuers will be useless. The keen scent of the dogs will penetrate the thickest undergrowth. Their bay will tell to the possemen and detectives that the quarry has been found. The work of the men will be only to close in—to make the cordon so tight that escape will be impossible. The dogs may never come back out of the mountains, but their trainer has no doubt but that once they strike the real trail they will not stop until they have forced an act of hostility on the part of the pursued.

Hillsville, Va., April 1.—Two bloodhounds today were set upon the trail of Sidna Allen and his nephew, Wesley Edwards, the two remaining fugitives of the Allen clan. Though given what the detectives considered was the best trail they had found thus far, a heavy rain is thought to have washed away the scent and at nightfall the posse had met with no success. The trail given to the dogs began at the Natural Cave, where on Saturday a supply of rations and blankets were abandoned by the outlaw in a sudden flight caused by the close approach of the posse.

The detectives have secured information which tomorrow will set the dogs upon a new track. Scipio Gray, who lives in the Fancy Gap section, reported that the two outlaws had appeared near his home yesterday. Gray knows the Allens very well and his clue is considered reliable. It is believed from Gray's information that the two men are moving back and forth between two bases of food supply, about ten miles apart.

The report brought by Gray was corroborated by Alexander McGraw, who lives nearby and also declared he saw the fleeing men. Both Gray and McGraw were agreed that the outlaws were headed toward the home of Hubbard Easter, which is about a mile and a half from Floyd Allen's house. Hubbard Easter is a close relative of the Allens and he, as well as other members of the Easter family have been under close surveillance by the detectives to find if they were furnishing food to the outlaws.

THE ALLEN MAN HUNT

March 14—Search begun.

March 20—Sidna Allen at home. Escapes posse by 15 minutes.

March 21—Trap laid to capture Allens' Big secret posse on trail. Smaller one at Hillsville a blind.

March 22—Sidna Edwards captured.

March 26—"Jack" Allen offers to betray his brother Sidna and his nephews on promise that life of his son Friel will be spared.

March 28—Claude Swanson Allen captured.

March 29—Friel Allen found in carriage house at father's home. Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards are the only two members of the outlaw gang now at large.

To Have City Delivery

We understand that Post Master Waller, will make another effort to secure city delivery, just as soon as the street and sidewalk work progresses a little further. This will be good news to many, because the people living upon the outskirts of the city, have quite a little distance to come for their mail. Several efforts have been made in the past, but always unsuccessful owing to the conditions of our streets and side walks. We trust the work will progress rapidly now, that warmer weather has come, and we are not likely to have much more bad weather, at least not to last long at a time, besides delivering the mail at our doors. City delivery will give employment to at least five people at a fair salary, all of which helps to build the town. There is already sixteen thousand dollars paid out there every year for the maintenance of the postal business, and City delivery will add several thousand more. In the language of the old lady every little bit helps.

Mrs. Joe Gant and son of Altamahaw are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Gant.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

The Republicans of Alamance County are hereby called to meet in the town of Graham, Saturday, April 13, 1912 at 2:00 p. m. for the purpose of electing delegates and alternates to the State, Congressional, Judicial and Senatorial Conventions.

The precinct primaries will be held in all the precincts in the county on Friday, April 12th, at 2 p. m., except Mebane, Haw River, Graham, North and South Burlington and Swensonville, which will be held at 7:30 p. m. April 12th.

E. S. W. DAMERON, Sec.

W. W. BROWN, Chairman.

National Roosevelt Committee.

The National Taft Bureau, in the effort to create and foster a false impression as to the strength of the Taft candidacy, is publishing daily a statement purporting to give exact figures as to the delegates elected to the Republican National Convention. They are now claiming to have elected more than 270 delegates for Taft. The best possible commentary upon this claim is the letter written by Congressman McKinley, director of the National Taft Bureau, to Mr. Taft on October 28, 1910. Mr. McKinley was then chairman of the Republican Congressional Committee and had directed the Congressional campaign of that year. His letter to Mr. Taft was his final report upon the campaign and he put himself on record unequivocally with a claim for the certain election of a Republican House of Representatives. Mr. McKinley said:

"Dear Mr. President: 'It gives me great pleasure to inform you that every sign points to Republican control of the House of Representatives in the 62nd Congress. This information is based upon what I believe to be reliable reports from practically every one of the so-called 'doubtful' districts. We have made, and are making, substantial gains in districts which we were lost in the election of two years ago by a narrow margin.

Three months ago pessimistic Republicans and optimistic Democrats expressed the belief that this was a Democratic year. This prediction was not shared by yourself, or others charged with responsibility for carrying forward the Republican campaign. 'I am pleased to advise you that there has been a decided change in sentiment in the last few weeks, Democratic hopes are fading and Republicans generally are now enthusiastic in their belief that while this may have been a Democratic year in June, it is a Republican year in November.

Mr. McKinley closed his letter with exactly the same kind of a statement he is now putting out daily about the election of delegates to the national Convention, saying, 'I am looking with the greatest possible confidence to the result.' The election to which Mr. McKinley looked forward with such confidence, and which he claimed with the same assurance that now marks his claims for Taft delegates, resulted in a signal Democratic triumph. The Republican majority of 41 in the 61st Congress was changed to a Democratic majority of 64 in the 62nd Congress. These are the indisputable figures of Mr. McKinley's record as a claimer and a prophet.

The Roosevelt National Committee has kept with much care a full and accurate record of every district and State convention that has elected delegates to Chicago. Compilation of these figures shows that to date there

have been elected 62 delegates favoring the nomination of Colonel Roosevelt, 36 delegates favoring the nomination of Mr. Taft, 2 delegates favoring that of Senator Cummins, and 10 that of Senator La Follette. 94 delegates have been elected without instruction. There are pending contests as to 112 delegates. These contests are almost wholly in the Southern States where the Federal office holders' machine has operated regardless of right and decency to jam through the selection of Taft delegates, without regard to the will of Republicans and without consideration of party regularity or precedent. The only other important contests are in Indiana, where in order to secure a show of victory the Taft machine counted the votes of 126 contested delegates to the Indiana State Convention upon the question of their own right to sit in that convention. The accompanying table presents in graphic form just what has been done to date in the election of delegates to the Chicago Convention:

Alabama, Roosevelt 2; Contested 20.
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Florida, Taft 8.
Georgia, Uninstructed 2; Contested 22.
Indiana, Roosevelt 2; Taft 8; Contested 10.
Iowa, Taft 8; Cummins 2.
Michigan, Taft 4; Uninstructed 2.
Mississippi, Roosevelt, 20.
Missouri, Roosevelt 6.
New Mexico, Roosevelt 6; Taft 2.
New York, Taft 2; Uninstructed 84.
North Dakota, La Follette 10.
Oklahoma, Roosevelt 16; Taft 2.
Philippines, Taft 2.
So. Carolina, Roosevelt 2; Uninstructed 4; Contested 10.
Tennessee, Roosevelt 2; Contested 14.
Virginia, Uninstructed 2; Contested 22.
Totals: Roosevelt 62; Taft 36; Cummins 2; La Follette 10; Uninstructed 94; Contested 112.

Entertainment at Friendship.

An entertainment will be given at Friendship High School Easter Friday Evening at 8:00 o'clock. It will consist of songs, plays, recitations &c. by the school children. An admission of fifteen cents for adults and ten cents for children will be charged, the proceeds of which will be applied to beautifying the school building and grounds.

Easter Monday at Harden's Park.

Oak Ridge and Elon College will play ball Easter Monday at Harden's Park. The game will be called at 3:30. Many visitors from both places will accompany the teams.

Something doing every minute when "T. R." takes the stump.

Episcopal Church Notice.

The Church of the Holy Comforter, The Reverend John Beners Gibbie, Rector.

Holy Week and Easter Day services as follows:

Monday, Tuesday and Maundy Thursday before Easter, 5 p. m. Wednesday before Easter, with address, 8 p. m. Good Friday, Pro-Anaphora with short sermon 10:30 a. m. The three hours Devotional and Commemorative Memorial Service of the Crucifixion from 12: noon to 3 p. m., addresses on the 7 last words from the Cross.

Easter Day, Early Celebration of the Holy Communion 7:30 a. m.

Morning Prayer, sermon and second Celebration 11: a. m. Sunday School Easter Festival 4:00 p. m. No Sunday School in the morning.

Public cordially invited to any and all of these services. Pews free. Polite ushers, Vested choir. Good music.

Everybody Concerned

Are you co-operating with the town authorities to make Burlington a Cleaner and Better town?

Private citizens have taken advantage of clean up day to place the accumulation of winter trash where the carts can reach it.

How about our merchants? Don't let us be mortified and humiliated by dangerous and unsightly filth in our midst. Destroy the breeding places of the deadly fly.

Important Masonic Meeting

Bula Lodge No. 409 A. F. and A. M. will have a regular communication next Friday night, 7:30 o'clock, April 5th 1912, for work in the third degree. Lectures J. W. Patton has been with the Lodge for two weeks and another Grand Lodge official will be present. All visiting brethren are invited to come. A good many are expected from Graham, Elon College and Gibsonville lodges.

J. H. Vernon, W. M.
E. W. Atwater, Sec'y.

Precinct Primary.

The Republicans of South Burlington Precinct will meet in primary convention at Dorsett's old store building on Davis Street, Thursday night, April 11th, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of electing delegates and alternates to the Republican County Convention to be held at Graham, Saturday, April 13th.

W. J. Horn, Chairman,
F. S. Cheek, Secretary.

Died Near Lakeside.

Mrs. Rosa B. Morton died near Lakeside Mills March 19th at the age of 63 years. She leaves a husband five children and fifteen grandchildren. She was a member of the Christian Church at Union Ridge since early life. She was buried at Bethlehem, funeral services by Revs. J. W. Holt and A. B. Kendall. A most excellent woman.

Isley-Bryan.

In the Reformed Parsonage here last Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. Mr. John Isley, son of Mr. Frank Isley, and Miss Lizzie Bryan, daughter of Mrs. John Bryan were happily married by their pastor Rev. J. D. Andrew. These are most excellent young people and begin life together with the good wishes of a host of friends.

Maryland has decided that she can drink or let it alone.

Found Dead Near Trollinwood.

John Henry Moore, a colored man of about middle age, who lived near Trollinwood was found dead near his home Monday afternoon. He was on his way to work. Heart trouble is supposed to have been the cause of his death.

Beautiful Millinery Openings

The various millinery openings Thursday night Friday and Saturday were attended by large crowds from Burlington and the adjoining towns. The hats are unusually beautiful this spring and are being seen on our streets every day. Not necessary to go to Greensboro or Durham to get a hat when you can get one that will look just as well or better at home.

Names of Those Who Have Entered the Dispatch Contest.

NAME	NO. VOTES
Aurelia Ellington,	
Mebane, R. No. 4,	16000
W. J. Brooks	15200
Addie Ray	15000
Bertha May Horne	13400
Mary Lee Coble, R. No. 1	13400
Lizzie Cheek	8100
Bettie Lyde May	8000
Waller Workman	5600
W. I. Braxton, Snow Camp,	3700
Mrs. B. L. Shoffner, R. 10,	3000
May Carr Hall	1000
Margie Cheek	1000
Doyle Heritage	1000
Carrie Albright,	2000
Haw River,	
T. F. Matkins,	2000
Gibsonville.	
J. R. King,	1100
Greensboro.	

Robert Workman spent Saturday night and Sunday the guest of friends on R. No. 6.

Miss Annie Bennett stenographer for the Piedmont Trust Co., spent Saturday night and Sunday at her home at Reidsville.

One of the strongest games for the season will be the game Saturday, April 6th at 3:30 p. m. at Harden Park, Burlington, between Bingham School and Whitsett Institute. A splendid band has been engaged to furnish music. The teams for both schools are unusually strong this year.

Cary Isley and Rube Eldridge while returning from Greensboro last Sunday evening on their motor cycles ran into an automobile about two miles from Greensboro. The machines were badly smashed and the boys slightly injured.

Mrs. R. M. Andrews returned Monday from a visit to relatives at Henderson.

Misses Flora and Pearle Mebane have been the guest of relatives for a few days returning to High Point Tuesday morning.

Mr. John Jones, a prominent farmer of Haw River, R. F. D. 1, was a business visitor in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Geo. Williamson and daughter Miss Ethel of Saxpaw were in town Tuesday shopping.

An Easter egg hunt will be held by the Reformed Sunday School next Monday. All the children and friends who wish to enjoy the occasion will bring their eggs to the church at half past nine o'clock Monday morning. Parents and teachers are asked to go along to help the children to have a good time.

The Lords supper will be administered at St. Marks Reformed Church next Sunday at 11 a. m. and at Whitsett at 3 p. m.

PREMIUMS OF GREAT VOTING CONTEST

1 FORD, Model, T. 5 Passenger Touring Car	\$900.00
1 Indian Motorcycle,	250.00
1 Pony, Harness and Cart	250.00
1 Gold Watch, Diamond set in back. Ladies or Gents	75.00
1 Diamond Ring, Ladies or Gents	75.00
1 speedmore Bicycle Ladies or Gents	60.00
1 New Home drop head sewing machine	60.00
1 Bed Room suit	50.00
1 Scholarship Draughton's Business College	50.00
1 Double barrel breech loading hammerless Gun	40.00
1 Automatic repeating rifle	25.00
1 Leather couch	25.00

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