

STILL AFTER CHECK FORGER

HARRIS FREE BUT SHADOWED

Statesville Federal Grand Jury Will Probably Bring Indictment Against Harris and Co. This Week. He is Released from Custody at Rochester, N. Y., on a writ of habeas corpus. It is stated, however, that he is being shadowed by one of the government secret service men who aided in effecting his arrest, and it is further stated that this detective can place his hands on Harris as soon as the necessary papers arrive from North Carolina.

A MUCH MALIGNED MAN.

Mr. F. S. Starrette Makes a Statement in Defense of Himself and in Defense of Certain Things Said About Him in The Asheville Citizen. To the Editor of The Observer: Since I have been so bitterly maligned for the past week or two, I feel that I ought to make a statement and I am sorry that it becomes necessary to resort to this method. I was, however, engaged by an article printed in The Asheville Citizen supposed by the attacking party to have been written by me. I had only a glance at the article, none of which was founded upon truth. I do not know the author of it. It certainly was a vile fabrication from start to finish. The writers at Asheville gave me credit for it. I did not write or dictate a word of it. The article had me hid out among the laurels of the mountains with a changed or assumed name, and had the Mitchell Observer, which was strictly non-partisan, changed to a Republican paper. There was, or is, no ground for this statement. All this undesired publicity sprung from that article. I have published The Mitchell Observer for a few weeks over this year. It is a sure criterion of what I am. My motto has been to build up—not to tear down.

It is human to err, and while I may have committed many blunders in my life none have been so serious as to injure myself or anyone else. I am not proof against mistakes. I try as hard as any man living to do right, but it seems that when I would do good, evil is present with me. If the matter does not come in one form, he will in another. "Happy is that man who has no history." If the Divine hand could scrutinize my life and lay it open to the public, it could appear no worse than it is. I have never wronged in the least a single man that has so bitterly attacked me. I have been accused of "walking to Bakerfield" when I first went there, when I cannot recall the date, and I never undervalue a man because he has mud on his feet or a patch on his clothes.

Another inference that may be drawn from one of these writers is that with 300 subscribers a mortgage of \$200 ought to have been raised. Probably 400 of the 1,300 paid \$1 each in advance, about 200 paid 50 cents each in advance, while the remainder paid 25 cents each in advance. That would amount to about \$700 a year. The expense alone was very near that amount, which would leave only a small margin to live upon.

I hope that this will suffice to allay the troubled waters, and if I am spared a few years longer I will show to the world that I am not a "tramp" or a hideous monster. I close this article with no ill feelings towards the writers of the articles referred to, for it was natural for them to resent such an article as appeared in The Asheville Citizen. This I hope will stop a step to all this unpleasantness.

Mooreville, April 17th.

P. S. Another statement that I owed debts in the town from \$50 down to \$1 is misleading. I left enough personal goods and legal accounts to pay all I owe and have a surplus.

F. S. STARRETTE.

ACTION IN STATE COURTS ALSO.

In the meantime Mr. Gilmer has taken action against Harris in the State courts. Acting on the advice of Mr. Calvert, who did not at that time know that Prescott, alias Harris, had been released, Mr. Gilmer appeared before Judge Long a few days ago and the latter issued a bench warrant against Harris. This warrant was sent to Governor Glenn immediately, the Governor having promised Mr. Gilmer in person at Salisbury a few days ago, that he would issue requisition papers immediately and place them in the hands of Mr. Calvert to be sent to the proper authorities at Rochester. Whether these papers have gone forward is not known. Mr. Calvert being in another part of the State.

It would be a great pity if Harris should get away. The six hotel men in the State who carried bogus checks for him are feeling a little better now because they think Harris is under arrest and will be punished, and they would be too bad if they are disappointed. The Irredell county Republican primaries will be held to-morrow afternoon, and the county convention meets Tuesday.

STATESVILLE BONDS SOLD.

At a special meeting of the board of aldermen Wednesday the \$25,000 of bonds authorized by special act of the Legislature to pay the town's floating debt were sold to the Statesville Loan and Trust Company at par. Some time ago the bid of a Chicago party for the bonds was accepted, but he failed to deposit a certified check in accordance with the terms of the sale and the deal was called off.

There were two special school tax elections in the county Tuesday and both carried. Quite a number of such elections has been held in the county during the past few months and only one has failed to carry.

Mr. W. G. Adams, of Nashville, Tenn., writes to his mother, Mrs. Mary Adams, who is confined to her home on Race street as a result of injuries received in a fall at the First Presbyterian church two weeks ago. While she has suffered considerably from her injuries and is still unable to walk, Mrs. Adams has greatly improved during the past few days.

Miss Mary Stinson left last night for Baltimore, where she will enter Johns Hopkins Hospital for a surgical operation. About three years ago Miss Stinson suffered a fall and an arm was injured. It was thought that the injury had healed all right, but recently the arm has given much trouble and Miss Stinson suffers considerable pain. Local and out-of-town physicians have been consulted and all advised that she go to Baltimore and have the arm operated on, stating that the bone is badly diseased and only a bone

LXINGTONIANS ARE MAD

DISGUSTED WITH THE SOUTHERN

The Improvements Which the Road Two Months Ago Assured the Corporation Will Not Be Made at the Passenger Station. The Service in Securing Tickets is Said to Be Abominable. The Town Cry Is That the Road Will Never Yet Be Heard About Davidson County Politics — Democratic Primaries May 16th.

Special to The Observer.

Lexington, April 17.—There was perhaps no town in the country that did not feel the panic more or less, but Lexington was one of the places that was not hit so hard. Practically all of the factories here—and there is quite a number of them—are running, and as one walks along Main street near the court house the busy sound of the stone cutter's chisel can be heard. The old fronts of two stores are to be replaced by granite and pressed brick. One of the buildings formerly occupied by the Taylor-Mendenhall Company when completed will be occupied by the Lexington Drug Company.

KICK AGAINST SOUTHERN.

The people of Lexington are very much disgusted at the action of the Southern Railway in not making the needed improvements at the passenger station here when assurances were given fully two months ago through the corporation commission that work would be started at once and the station made ready for a town of the size of Lexington. This is not the first time that the officials of the Southern have promised to have the needed and necessary improvements made here without fulfilling the promise in any manner whatever. For months the Town of Lexington waited patiently for the Southern to act but nothing was done and then an appeal was made to the corporation commission. After a few days the committee received that something over \$2,000 was to be expended here, and that the work would be done immediately. Two months have elapsed and nothing has been done. Another statement has been made to the corporation commission to make an order requiring the Southern to make the necessary improvements. In rainy weather the walk around the station and along the tracks is so muddy that it is a dreadful condition and could be remedied by a few car loads of gravel, but this has not even been done. Not only are accommodations around the depot about as poor as can be found in towns of half this size, but the service in securing tickets is so very poor that even the accommodations of the depot otherwise pale into insignificance when compared with that of other lines. Long since your correspondent happened to be at the station when one of the night northbound trains was due to pass. The train was due here shortly after 8 o'clock and when it reached the station 13 minutes before the train was due to arrive, according to the time it was marked up, and the agent had already closed down the window and absolutely refused to sell him a ticket, stating that he had orders to close down the window at that time and go to work at the operator's desk. This is said to be a common occurrence. This means that passengers have to reach the depot for the early night and also early morning trains more than 15 minutes before the train is due to arrive or else have to board the train without getting their baggage checked or seeing their tickets. The new lay a passenger is required to pay 15 cents additional where the fare is paid on the train when a ticket might have been secured in a reasonable time before the train arrived. Allowing this extra charge makes the action of the Southern in having the office closed so long before the arrival of the train all the more unjust.

LITTLE DOING POLITICALLY.

Although the candidates for the county offices have been busy getting around among their friends for several weeks, so far but little has been heard about local politics in Davidson county. For the most part, the candidates galore, or at least there are several avowed candidates and others have been mentioned by friends. This district is composed of Davidson, Stanly, Union and Anson and has two Senators. Last time Stanly and Union furnished the candidates and this year it falls to Davidson and Anson. Col. G. Foster Hanks, who has represented this county in the House for two terms, is an avowed candidate and so is Capt. S. E. Williams, who formerly represented this district in the Senate. Other names mentioned are A. E. Smith, an former of Mooreville; Frank Lambert, a business man of Thomasville; Wade H. Phillips, an attorney of Lexington and chairman of the county Democratic executive committee, and C. A. Davis, chairman of the board of county commissioners of Davidson.

It is very probable that John T. Lowe will be the Democratic nominee for sheriff this year. He is regarded as one of the most popular men in the county at the election. A. T. Delap, a Republican, was elected sheriff.

Davidson will support Hayden Clement for Attorney General but no interest is being displayed in regard to the other State offices with the exception of Governor.

The Democratic primary will be held on May 16th and the county convention on the 24th, when delegates will be chosen to the county, state, senatorial and State conventions. The convention for nominating county officers will not be held until some time during the summer. The Republicans hold their primaries the latter part of this month.

Short News Items From High Point.

Special to The Observer.

High Point, April 17.—Mr. King, living near High Point, yesterday brought in a sample of gold sulphur which he found on his place. The ore had the right look and Mr. King will investigate further.

Warmoth-Jeffcott, at Orangeburg.

Special to The Observer.

Gaffney, S. C., April 16.—Mr. Logan C. Warmoth, accompanied by Rev. Dr. A. M. Sims, pastor of the First Baptist church, left Gaffney Tuesday morning for Orangeburg, where he was united in marriage to Miss Letitia Eugenia Jeffcott, of that city. Dr. Sims performing the ceremony. The groom is one of Gaffney's most popular young men, and had charge of the new department of Messrs. Carroll and Bryan. The bride is a graduate of Linwood College, N. C., and is a beautiful and accomplished young woman. The young couple came to Gaffney last night on train No. 28 and went immediately to their home on Grenard street, where they will go to housekeeping.

Mr. T. E. Trent, of Hamlet, spent yesterday in the city.

POLITICIANS SEE BRYAN.

Chairman Connors Declares That There is No Particular Significance About the Meeting as He Only Came to Greet the Colonel—Mr. Bryan Confirms His Statement—Committee Man Mack Also Confers With the Nebraskan.

Rochester, N. Y., April 17.—"Just here to pay my respects to the colonel; that's all," said William J. Connors, of Buffalo, chairman of the State Democratic committee at the reception held for William J. Bryan in Powers Hotel this afternoon. "There's no political significance in the meeting," Mr. Bryan had said a moment before to the reporters, and had called Mr. Connors back to have him confirm his statement.

Norman E. Mack, of Buffalo, Democratic national committeeman, who had a conference with the Nebraskan in the morning, had much the same to say, and so far as is known, no special significance is to be attached to any meetings here by Mr. Bryan with politicians.

There was a good sized crowd at the New York Central station to welcome Mr. Bryan when he arrived here this morning. The Democratic reception committee was headed by Judge John D. Lynn. After his interview with Mr. Mack and a brief rest Mr. Bryan spoke at a meeting of the Rochester ministerial association in Y. M. C. A. Hall.

Unusual interest was felt in the reported important conference that was to be held between Mr. Bryan and Mr. Connors, and this added to the announcement at the reception held at Powers Hotel at 5 o'clock, when more than 500 people shook hands with the Nebraskan.

When Mr. Connors came to the hotel he was asked if there was any particular significance about this meeting with Mr. Bryan and he replied that there was not—that it had been suggested by New York friends of Mr. Bryan that they meet for a conference.

MIL MEARES GIVEN \$10,000.

Suit For Recovery of Attorney's Fee of \$25,000 Settled Satisfactorily to Both Sides. Special to The Observer.

Wilmington, April 17.—After deliberating for a little more than four hours, the jury in the Superior Court which had in hearing the case of Irredell Meares against J. J. Wolfenden and others, of Newbern, in which the plaintiff sued for \$25,000 attorney's fee for professional services in the purchase and sale of the Green Swamp lands in Brunswick and Columbus counties for the defendant, returned a verdict late to-night awarding Mr. Meares \$10,000, and interest from January 1st, 1904, the interest offsetting a partial payment of \$2,500 that had been paid by Irredell Meares during the process of the negotiations. It is stated that the verdict is satisfactory to both parties to the suit and that there will probably be no appeal to the Supreme Court.

Civilization.

A commotion was caused in the Boulevard Hausmann the other day when one of the best known women in Paris got out of an elegant motor car leading by a silver chain a tiny dog dressed in the height of fashion. The dog was wearing a pinksilk collar adorned with gold coins and a little fur coat with a side pocket, from which peeped a small face handkerchief, while its little feet were protected from the damp by India-rubber shoes. In the pondie's ears were two pairs of diamond earrings, one pair in each ear, the ears being pierced at the base and at the tip. The feelings of this darling pet were doubtfully repressed. He appeared absolutely indifferent to the excited glances bestowed upon him and his mistress.

Case of Jim Smith With Jury.

Observer Bureau, The Beville Building, Greensboro, April 17.

After deliberating from 1:40 o'clock this afternoon until 9:30 o'clock to-night the jury in the Jim Smith case retired for the night without returning a verdict.

"ONE TOUCH OF NATURE MAKES THE WHOLE WORLD KIN."

When a rooster finds a big fat worm he calls all the hens in the farm yard to come and share it. A similar trait of human nature is to be observed when a man discovers something exceptionally good—he wants all his friends and neighbors to enjoy it. This is the touch of nature that makes the whole world kin. This explains why people have been helped by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy written by the manufacturers for publication in the healthiest of all magazines, every one of these letters is a warm-hearted wish of the writer to be of use to someone else. The remedy is for sale by R. H. Jordan & Co.

MILLS ARE ON FULL TIME.

Henrietta System Has Not Curtailed Any—The Salaries of Preachers in 1880 and Now—Carroll-Henrietta Items.

Carroll, April 16.—The large mills of the Henrietta system, with the Cliffside Mill, are all running on full time, notwithstanding the depression in cloth and yarn markets. President Tanner is hoping to be able to run the Henrietta Mills most of the time, and his people seem to be contented and cheerful. Having good houses, free of rent and ample gardens, the operatives here can better afford to stop a while than in most mill towns in North or South Carolina.

The temperance mass meeting in Henrietta last evening was an overflow, and the addresses were of a high type.

Professor Griffin and wife, from Meadown, are here on a visit to Mrs. Griffin's parents.

A half-crop of peaches remains on the trees in this section of Rutherfordford in the section of Rutherfordford at Henrietta, and in the Carrolls, Methodist church. The pastors of the churches in these mill towns are strong and popular preachers' salaries is a question of five salaries.

Just now while the panic pinches somewhat throughout the land, more than passing interest. Back in the sixties, when all of Rutherfordford county was one Methodist pastoral charge comprising ten churches and served by one preacher, salaries were paid equally well. Wonder if any Charlotte pastor received \$15,000 in 1881?

Judge Pritchard will be invited to Carroll to deliver a prohibition speech during next month.

Mr. Craig will sweep old Rutherford for Governor.

Houses Without Bedrooms.

Washington Post. A new era in flathouse construction, in which bedroomless apartments, made possible by the introduction of sanitary disappearing wall beds, is the feature, is about to be launched upon the journey of popular acclaim or defeat by a firm of Western flathouse builders. It is claimed that flathouse buildings thus constructed will make two and three room suites serve the purpose of the old four and five-room apartments.

Mr. Moses Cone Lectures at Oak Ridge.

Special to The Observer. Oak Ridge, April 17.—Mr. Moses D. Cone, of Greensboro, lectured here last night to a very large audience on his trip around the world. The lecture was highly entertaining and instructive and pleased the audience very much. Mr. Cone evidently traveled with his eyes open, and has a splendid diction and ready delivery. He was interrupted again and again with applause and when he had finished the applause was so prolonged that he arose and gave additional illustrative stories and illustrations of his experiences in Japan. He was accompanied by his brothers, Julius and Bernard, and was the guest while here of Prof. J. Allen Holt.

Smashed Farrar's Tiara.

Baltimore Dispatch. The opera of "La Traviata," which was given at the Lyric last night, came very near to having a tragic ending.

Smashed Farrar's Tiara.

Miss Farrar, as Violetta, was singing the concluding notes, and in her enthusiasm stepped too far in front. The heavy curtain descended rapidly and Miss Farrar, oblivious to her danger, stood directly under it. Signor Scott saw her plight and lunging forward seized the singer none too gently and dragged her back just as the curtain reached her head.

Health Coffee.

"Health Coffee" is really the closest Coffee Imitation ever yet produced. This clever Coffee Substitute was recently produced by Dr. Shoop, of Racine, Wis. Not a grain of real Coffee in it either. Dr. Shoop's Health Coffee is made from pure toasted grains, with malt, nuts, etc. Really it would fool an expert—who might drink it for a month or so without detecting its boiling. "Made in a minute," says the doctor. Sold by Miller-

Grief Drives Farmer to Kill Himself.

Special to The Observer.

Elizabethtown, April 17.—Mr. Slick Norris, a well-known farmer of this county, who lived ten miles east of here, committed suicide with a shotgun loaded with buck shot Wednesday about 10 o'clock. He went out to the stable and placing the breach of the gun against the wall of logs and the muzzle over his heart, pushed the trigger with a long file. Some of the shot went entirely through him and lodged in the opposite wall.

Child Swallows Cresset But is Saved.

Special to The Observer.

Burlington, April 17.—The one-year-old child of B. E. Teague swallowed the contents of a small bottle of cresset yesterday. Prompt administration of an antidote probably saved the child. It is now thought by the family physician that it is out of danger.

Rheumatism.

This is often a disease of the blood, though not always. It attacks usually the joints and tissue and causes a deposit of uric acid. In its acute stage it is one of much pain and suffering, sometimes affecting a large part or even all the body. When near the heart it is dangerous to life. We are thankful to say there is a proper treatment—Dr. King's Sarsaparilla—internally, to eradicate the poison from the blood. Dr. King's Nerve and Bone Liment—externally, to give life to the stiffened, painful joints and tissue. Sold by Burwell-Dunn Retail Store.

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BABY'S VOICE

Is the joy of the household, for without it no happiness can be complete. How sweet the picture of mother and babe, angels smile at and commend the thoughts and aspirations of the mother bending over the cradle. The ordeal through which the expectant mother must pass, however, is so full of danger and suffering that she looks forward to the hour when she shall feel the exquisite thrill of motherhood with indescribable dread and fear. Every woman should know that the danger, pain and horror of child-birth can be entirely avoided by the use of Mother's Friend, a scientific liniment for external use only, which toughens and renders pliable all the parts, and assists nature in its sublime work. By its aid thousands of women have passed this great crisis in perfect safety and without pain. Sold at \$1.00 per bottle by druggists. Our book of priceless value to all women sent free. Address BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO., Atlanta, Ga.

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Why Not Mix Brains With Your Eating?

If you mix brains with your eating you will be interested in the cost and nutritive value of your food.

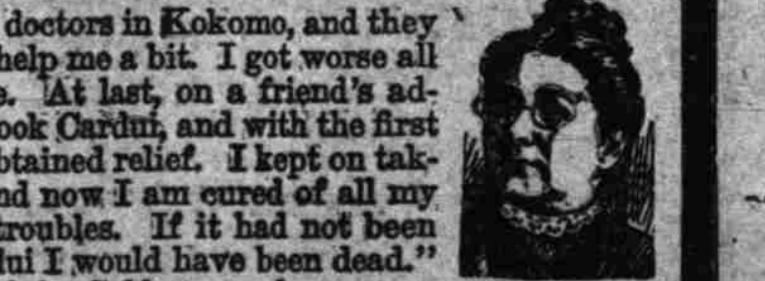
Shredded Wheat contains the greatest amount of muscle-building, brain-making material in the most digestible form and at the least cost. A food for the outdoor man and the indoor man—for the invalid and the athlete.

For breakfast heat the Biscuit in oven, pour milk over it (hot milk in winter) and a little cream. If you like the Biscuit for breakfast you will like TOASTED TRISCUON (the Shredded Wheat wafer) for luncheon or any meal with butter, cheese or marmalade. At your grocers.

Remarkable Story

It Points A Moral. The story of Mrs. Matilda Warwick, of Kokomo, Ind., as told below, certainly presents a striking example of the great curative properties of that well-known female remedy, Wine of Cardui.

Mrs. Warwick says: "In the fall of 1906, I was in terrible shape. I suffered from pains in my head, shoulders, limbs, side, stomach low down, drawing pains in legs, bearing down pains, dizziness, chills, nervousness, fainting spells and other female troubles. I had been in bed for months and was almost dead; I could not sit up to write. I had three of



the best doctors in Kokomo, and they did not help me a bit. I got worse all the time. At last, on a friend's advice, I took Cardui, and with the first bottle obtained relief. I kept on taking it and now I am cured of all my female troubles. If it had not been for Cardui I would have been dead." Try Cardui. Sold everywhere.

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