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LIFE IMPRISONMENT.

Commutation of the Sentence of Bob Small.

WOULD HAVE PAID DEATH PENALTY TOMORROW.

Death Sentence of former Randolph County Man Changed to Life in Penitentiary—Mrs. Parkin Rendered Valuable Service to Prisoner.

Gov. Heyward, of South Carolina, has commuted the death sentence of Bob Small, for killing a negro at Darlington, S. C., to life imprisonment. Jno. T. Brittain, of Asheboro, who has been co-operating with Geo. W. Brown, an attorney of Darlington, to secure the commutation, was notified of this action Friday morning.

Small was condemned to hang tomorrow, August 3rd, but for four months the counsel for the prisoner has been fighting to save the boy's life. Letters from prominent citizens in both North and South Carolina have been presented to the Governor urging him to interfere in the execution and until Tuesday of last week all effort seemed to be in vain. On that day Messrs. Brittain and Brown led a delegation of citizens of Darlington before Gov. Heyward in a final effort to secure the commutation of sentence. The Darlington delegation was led by Mayor McCulloch.

The Courier is requested to extend to the citizens of Randolph county, sincere thanks of the prisoner and his counsel for their efforts in his behalf, and especially to Mrs. J. Parkin, of Trinity, who formerly lived at Hoover Hill, and knew Small from his boyhood. Mrs. Parkin took much interest in the case and rendered valuable assistance to the counsel for the prisoner.

A dispatch from Columbia says: "Small is a pleasant man of tender years. He killed a negro under circumstances of great provocation, and the people who petitioned for clemency in his behalf believe that if he had not been a stranger he would hardly have been convicted. His case has aroused widespread interest and continual and determined efforts have been made to have his life spared. Governor Heyward's action comes after petitions for commutation had been turned down by the board of pardons, but nearly everybody familiar with the case will applaud its wisdom."

Reduced Rates for County Democratic Convention.

The regular scheduled Southern Railway train to leave Asheboro at 4:30 in the afternoon will be held by order of W. S. Andrews, superintendent, at Asheboro until 5:30 on the afternoon of August 18th, the day of the democratic convention. Mr. Andrews has written a letter to Secretary Moffitt stating definitely that the train will be held until 5:30 on that day. Reduced rates will also be given over the Southern. The Aberdeen & Asheboro Railroad has refused to hold their train or give reduced rates to the convention.

Carpet Bagger Dead.

The notorious John T. Dewese died a few days ago at Washington City. He will be remembered by our older citizens as the carpet-bag Congressman from this district, who resigned in 1879 in order to escape expulsion for having sold a cadetship at West Point. Probably some of our old Bear Creek friends will remember the discussion between him and this writer at the old "locust tree" election ground in October, 1868.

Handleman Primary.

The Primary will be held at half past five o'clock on the afternoon of August 11th, in order that the employees in the mills and shops may vote as well as the farmers. The merchants will be requested to close their stores for one hour beginning at 5:30. Those who wish to make purchase should go the day before to the stores and avoid the rush. The meeting will be held in Naomi Hall.

H. E. Craven, of Concord, spent Sunday in Asheboro.

Mr. Lee A. Briles, of St. Catherine, Fla., is visiting relatives and friends in Asheboro.

EXAMINING MINES.

Prof. Steel, of Arkansas, in Randolph Under Direction of State Geologist.

Prof. A. A. Steel, and wife, of Fayetteville, Ark., are spending the week in Asheboro. Prof. Steel is here under the direction of the State department of geology investigating the mining property conditions in this and adjoining counties. He is visiting the prospects and mines in operation in this section, securing fair specimens of the ores, making photographs and drawings of the works, shafts, etc. His reports will be compiled in a bulletin to be issued by the State on North Carolina mines in the Fall.

He says that the reports so far are favorable, and that the washing process, recently adopted and which is successfully treating the ore of the Catawba mine, will prove a factor in the development of properties in Randolph county. Several operators have already adopted this method.

EXCURSION TO TROY.

Band Boys and Ball Players Run an Excursion to Troy Tomorrow.

Tomorrow morning at 10:15 an excursion will leave Asheboro depot for Troy under the auspices of the Asheboro Base Ball Team and the Nightingale Band. Returning the excursion will leave Troy at midnight reaching Asheboro about 1:30.

There will be a ball game in the afternoon between Asheboro and Troy teams and at night a minstrel by the members of the Band will be the attraction. A large crowd is predicted and a good time is promised to all.

The fare for the round trip is \$1.10, or one-half of one first-class fare.

Christian Sunday School Convention.

The Western North Carolina Sunday School Convention of the Christian Church met at Pleasant Ridge church, in Coleridge township, Friday of last week, continuing in session through Sunday. The sessions were largely attended and interesting. Saturday afternoon Rev. J. H. Wright, of Asheboro, preached an able sermon. Others who addressed the convention were Prof. Lawrence, of Elon College; Revs. E. L. Stack, M. K. Hurley, of Greensboro.

Lawn Fete at Sophia.

There will be an ice cream supper at Sophia Saturday night for the purpose of raising money to finish paying for the organ which has been recently placed in the Old Union church.

J. M. C. Millikan, formerly of Goldsboro, has charge of the Southern depot at Sophia.

Miss Gwinn Wall is visiting relatives and friends at High Point.

Aged Couple Married.

To-day at the home of the bride in Coleridge township Mr. B. A. Spence, aged 77 years, and Mrs. Eliza Caviness, aged 51 years will be married. The license was issued Monday. Both the bride and groom are highly respected and have many friends in the county. Mr. and Mrs. Caviness will live at Cole's Store.

Married.

On July 22nd, 1906, at Eleazar church in New Hope Township Mr. Harris Luther was happily married to Miss Lou Luther both of Strieby. James W. Luther, J. P. officiated.

Lindo Reynolds, of Queeo, and Miss Blanch Cranford, of Uwharrie, were united in marriage by Rev. Moore, at the home of the bride last Sunday morning. They have the best wishes of a host of friends.

Small Wreck.

Yesterday morning the local freight from High Point, due in Asheboro at 9:35, was delayed until late in the afternoon on account of four freight cars just ahead of the coaches leaving the track and turning over. The road was blocked for several hours but no one was hurt. The wreck occurred eight miles from High Point.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to return our sincere and heartfelt thanks to the entire community not only for their thoughtfulness, but the kind deeds and acts shown us during the sickness of our daughter Mattie. May God bless them every one.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. BULLA.

MISS BOROUGHS ENTERTAINS.

Miss Etta Auman and Annie Scott Guests of Honor.

Miss Jessie Borroughs entertained a large number of friends at the hospitable home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Borroughs last Thursday evening.

The feature of the evening was a drawing contest in which each guest was given a piece of paper upon which to draw a picture of some animal, with their left hand. Chas. M. Fox won the first prize, and Jesse Scarborough was awarded the booby.

The attendants were Misses Roberta Stover, Laura Wilson, May Laughlin, Beattie Coffin, Ethel Ridge, Agnes Moring, Edith Moring, Irma Whitfield, Lizzie Whitfield, Esther Auman, Corinna Auman, Callie Auman, May Byrd, Annie Blair, Clara Moffitt, Lizzie Spencer, Clara Spencer, Ella Hendricks, Florence Hendricks, Louise Slack, Etta Auman, Annie Scott, Mamie Richardson, Merrie Richardson, Blanche Kearns; Messrs. Jas. Monger, O. B. Wooley, Wister Stockard, Andrew Lewis, Chas. Fox, M. T. Richardson, Foster Richardson, Clarence Rush, Duke Robins, Sulo Stedman, Oscar Coffin, Eugene Moffitt, H. M. Robins, Astor Tregdon, Carl Auman, Jesse Scarborough, Leo Barker, Geo. Ross, Celia Laughlin, H. B. Martin, Frank Byrd, Lee Davis, John Civil, Boyd Auman, E. B. Hatch.

REUNION AND BIRTHDAY.

Rev. W. E. Swain Enjoys Family Gathering at Plymouth, Washington County.

While visiting relatives and friends in eastern North Carolina Rev. W. E. Swain participated in a family reunion at Plymouth, Washington county, August 26th which date marked his birthday. Besides his five brothers and sisters who had not been together for thirty-three years, there was a large gathering of friends in attendance and the day was highly enjoyed. A sumptuous dinner was served.

Besides Mr. Swain the members of the family are Rev. C. H. Swain, of Roper; Mrs. Francis Wynn, of Bath; W. S. Swain, W. R. Swain and Mrs. Amanda E. Bateman, of Plymouth.

Moonlight Drive.

A large number of Asheboro's young people enjoyed a moonlight drive to Handleman Monday evening. The drive was given by the young men complimentary to the visiting ladies in the city. The members of the party were Messrs. C. Fox, Jesse Scarborough, Lee Davis, Geo. Ross, Leo Barker, L. F. Ross, L. M. Cranford, Eugene Moffitt, Clarence Rush, S. B. Stedman, F. C. Richardson, Frank Byrd, L. Ferree, McTyers Richardson, G. Snyder. Misses Lizzie Spencer, Clara Spencer, Mary Freeman, Esther Auman, Ethel Ridge, Bessie Coffin, Lizzie Whitfield, Beulah Fox, Jessie Borroughs, Blanche Kearns, Florence Hendricks, Ruth Freeman, Etta Auman, Mollie Rush, Irma Whitfield, Jennie Ingold, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Coffin, chaperones.

Randleman vs Proximity.

A pretty game of base ball was played at Greensboro Friday between Randleman and Proximity teams. The game was full of interest until the eighth inning when the score was 1 to 0 in favor of Proximity. Here the Randolph players "got their head" and in the next inning allowed the game to close with a score of 9 to 0 against them.

Batteries: Proximity, Caviness and Nelson; Randleman, Cooper and Russell; Umpire L. B. Staley, of White Oak.

Kanoy News.

Mr. Cornelius Julius and family of Franklinville visited his aunt and Mrs. Nancy Owen last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Evelyn Moffitt is attending the Institute at Asheboro.

W. H. Wynn and family attended the birthday dinner of Mrs. Jane Vancannon near Whitehouse last Thursday returning home Saturday.

Clyde and Ollie Spoon, of near Asheboro, visited relatives in this section last week.

Dr. Turrentine and Prof. Henry, of Drinity, spent last Sunday night at Mr. W. T. Moffitt's.

Miss Etha Ridge, who has been visiting her cousin Mrs. W. A. Coffin, returned to her home in Greensboro Tuesday.

TRINITY.

Educational Rally to be Held Next Week.

The people of Trinity and surrounding country are looking forward to the Educational Rally at this place on the 10th of August. A large crowd is expected and it promises to be an interesting occasion.

Julian S. Carr, of Durham, was here last week visiting his mother and sister, Mrs. Heitman.

The Parker House is alive with summer boarders.

Mrs. Mercer and family, of Red Springs, and Miss York, of Greensboro, arrived last week.

Frank Stanback, of Raleigh, was here this and last week visiting his many friends.

Miss Effie White was called to Raleigh a few days ago to the bedside of her brother Dave White, who is in a hospital for appendicitis. He is doing well since the operation.

Mrs. J. T. Henry is spending sometime with Miss Janie Russell, of Star.

Mr. J. D. Brame spent last week with his brothers in Wilkesboro. He reports a delightful visit to that progressive town.

The young people who have organized a club called, The Loafers Club and are delighted to see the sunshine that they may enjoy their outdoor sports.

Mrs. Mercer and children, of Aberdeen, and Miss York, of Greensboro, are staying at the Parker house for a few weeks.

Mrs. Compton and children, of Louisiana, are visiting Mr. J. W. Ballance's family.

Rev. J. B. Craven and wife, of Asheville, E. B. Craven and family, of Lexington and Prof. Bruce Craven and wife, of Morganton, are visiting Mrs. Nannie Craven.

Miss Annie Pogram, of Durham, is spending the summer with her aunt, Miss Kate Craven.

Miss Eva Heitman is spending a part of her vacation at Lexington, Kings Mountain and Shelby, with friends and relatives.

A good many of our preachers attended District Conference last week and our pastor, Rev. B. F. Hargett, has been doing some very efficient work for Trinity High School.

E. R. Carr has gone to Hot Springs to spend a few weeks.

Prof. J. T. Henry is traveling in Davie county this week in the interest of Trinity High School.

Mrs. Henry is visiting at Star.

Mrs. Parker, of Bladen county, is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. E. Popper.

Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Whitehead, and daughter, of Yazoo, Miss., are spending the summer with Mrs. Hundley.

Mrs. Weeks has sold her house to a company, who will operate it as a boarding house for Trinity High School pupils.

Dr. Dred Peacock has bought the English place upon which he will erect a handsome residence.

Gaither Elder has decided to move into the cottage next to the parsonage.

Prof. Bivens, who was at one time superintendent of the Asheboro Graded School, has accepted a position as teacher in Trinity High School.

Aconite Notes.

Quite a number of people in this vicinity attended the Sunday School convention at Flag Springs Saturday.

Miss Jewel Allen is visiting friends and relatives near Queen, Montgomery county.

Miss Vellie Vancannon, of Asheboro, spent Saturday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Lindley Vancannon.

Mr. S. N. Allen made a business trip to High Point Tuesday.

Mrs. Alfred Richardson, of Dewey, spent Tuesday with Mrs. R. J. Spencer.

Utah Items.

Mrs. Vina Cross spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. L. A. Frye.

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. King visited Rufus King Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Loretta Newson is visiting home folks this week.

M. L. Frye spent Saturday night with Manley Williams.

MOORE COUNTY NOTES.

Randolph and Cumberland Railway to Operate Sunday Trains.

The dedication of Mt. Carmel Church, on the Elise circuit Sunday by Rev. J. H. Frizelle, of the Sanford circuit, began a series of dedications including five of the six composing the circuit. Rev. J. W. Hoyle is pastor. The executive committee of the Moore county Agricultural Society met last week and recommended that the Society purchase the late home of A. F. Page, near Aberdeen as the permanent location of the Moore County Fair Grounds, and a large brick building in Aberdeen for a permanent place for exhibits.

The Randolph and Cumberland Railway announces that after July 29th Sunday trains will be operated between Carthage and Cameron on regular schedule. It further announces that after August 1st the passenger rates between Carthage and Cameron will be reduced from 50c to 35c first-class and other stations in proportion.

DEATH OF MRS. LOCKHART.

Mother of Dr. D. K. Lockhart Died in Orange County Last Week.

Dr. D. K. Lockhart and brother, W. S. Lockhart, of Durham, who was here attending the M. E. Conference last week left Tuesday morning of last week for Hillsboro in response to a telegram announcing the death of their mother, Mrs. L. Y. Lockhart, at her home near Hillsboro Wednesday night. The deceased was 60 years of age.

Mrs. Lockhart had been in bad health for several weeks, but was thought to be improving when she suffered an attack at the heart which caused death.

She was a devout Christian and a member of Pleasant Green M. E. church in Orange county from which the funeral was conducted Friday by her pastor, Rev. Fisher, of the Durham circuit.

Besides the husband she is survived by six children: Dr. D. K. Lockhart, of Asheboro; Mrs. Sterling Browning, of Orange county; E. L. Lockhart, of Buford, Ga.; W. S. Lockhart, of Durham; Marvin Lockhart, of Hillsboro; and James Lockhart, the youngest who lives at the home place.

WILL MEET AT LIBERTY.

Next Annual District Conference—Delegates to the Western N. C. Conference.

The Greensboro District Conference of the M. E. Church, South, in session at Asheboro last week adjourned Thursday afternoon. The conference voted to hold the next annual meeting at Liberty, making the third successive year it has been Randolph's pleasure to entertain this body of Christian workers.

The following delegates were elected to attend the annual meeting of the Western North Carolina Conference at Mt. Airy, in November: P. H. Morris, P. H. Williamson, Dr. W. G. Bradshaw and C. H. Ireland.

REPAIRING SCHOOLS.

County Board of Education has Received a Deed to New Hope Academy.

The Randolph County Board of Education is busy during the vacation repairing and improving the school buildings in the county.

Among the most notable is the work at New Hope Academy. This property was originally deeded to a board of trustees, who were to organize a corporation for the purpose of running a school, which was done. A few weeks ago the citizens purchased all of the stock and transferred the property to the Board of Education at no cost to the county.

The building is now being remodeled and painted at a cost of about \$250 a portion of which is at the expense of patrons of the school. When completed the property will be worth between \$800 and \$1000.

Why Not School Opening.

The fall term of the Why Not Academy and Business Institute will open on Tuesday, August 14th, instead of the 6th, as announced on commencement day. We hope to have a full attendance on the first day of the session.

G. F. GARNER, Principal.
This July 31, 1906.

TEACHERS INSTITUTE

Sessions Being Held In Academy Building.

PROF. CHAS. M. STALEY, CONDUCTOR.

Opened With Good Attendance—Additional Teachers Enrolled Each Day—Work Along Line of Careful Study and Review.

The Institute for the public school teachers of Randolph County began Monday, and will continue for four weeks. There are a goodly number of teachers in attendance, and they are all hard at work, seeking to get as much information and benefit as possible during the term. The Institute is being conducted by Prof. Chas. M. Staley, who is making the sessions of the Institute interesting as well as instructive.

The general plan of the work is along the line of a careful study and review of the subjects taught in the public schools. The teachers are studying plans and outlines of the work which they will have to do in the school-room, and along with this study of the school texts they are studying the educational principles which underlie the work of teaching and governing.

The following teachers had been enrolled up to yesterday morning:

- Misses: Lenora Bray, Ore Hill; Fleta Hayworth, Ramseur; Roella Yow, Coleridge; Ora Henley, Ida Henley, Nannie Stowe, May Ridge, Asheboro; Mabel Stewart, Berta Ellison, Franklinville; Maude Redding, Millboro; Ella Lambeth, Hills Store; Fannie Kimmy, Liberty; Jennie Davis, Randleman; Alice Burgess, Ramseur; Grace Winningham, Central Falls; Lolah Brown, Myrtle Cox, Ramseur; Pearl Leonard, Worthville; Patt Lowe, Mebane; Corinna Auman, Asheboro; Pear Auman, Swannah Lowdermilk Seagrove; Evelyn Moffitt, Kanoy, Martha Henley, Ethel Brown, Lula Andrews, Asheboro; Sallie Slack, Franklinville; Claude Yow, Coleridge; C. F. Williams, Liberty; Orin York, Ramseur; G. F. Garner, Seagrove; W. G. Surratt, Riley's Store; W. R. Smith, Lura Smith, Massah Lambeth, Blanche Spoon, Asheboro, Martha Redding, Asheboro; Coney Spencer, Seagrove; Callie Auman, Edna Hill, Treva Rush, Asheboro; Mrs. S. W. Lanier, Trinity, Messrs. A. S. Callicott, Aconite; D. M. Weatherly, G. O. Weatherly, S. W. Lanier, Trinity; Cephas Bowman, Cedar Falls; C. L. Brewer, Ramseur.

CRANFORD-DAVIS.

Interesting Marriage at High Point This Evening.

A marriage of interest in Asheboro will occur in High Point this evening. When Miss Terie Arnetta Davis, of High Point, becomes the bride of Mr. Charles Lebonideous Cranford, of Asheboro. The marriage will take place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dougan Davis, at six-thirty o'clock. Miss Davis is an attractive young lady and has many friends in this city. Mr. Cranford is highly esteemed by a host of friends and holds a responsible position with the Crown Milling Co., of Asheboro. Mr. and Mrs. Cranford will arrive this evening and will be at home to friends at the new residence just completed by Mr. Cranford on North Fayetteville street.

Farrington Must Serve Sentence.

The Supreme Court has sustained the judgment of the lower court in the case of Thomas B. Farrington, of Guilford county.

Two of his sons and a man named Ozment, who was in his employ, were convicted in Guilford county for burning the barn of Isaac Stanley. Farrington was at home at the time but he had been reported by Mr. Stanley for retailing; and it is believed that he instigated the crime. He was acquitted of the charge of burning the barn however, but sentenced to two years on the public roads for retailing. He appealed from the judgment with the result as above.

R. E. Betts, who has been at work at the Wood and Iron Works has accepted a position in Biscoe and will move his family there this week.