

J. B. ALLISON KILLS F. M. GREE

Patrol Wagon Driver Shot and Beaten With Hammer in Coffey's Blacksmith Shop on College Street.

NO ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE MADE; ALLISON SURRENDERS

Allison Says That He Does Not Care to Talk About It, But That Trouble Was of a Year's Standing.

One of the most shocking tragedies that has occurred in Asheville or western North Carolina for many a day was accomplished this afternoon shortly before 2 o'clock on College street when J. B. Allison, formerly a night janitor in the employ of the city, shot and almost instantly killed Floyd M. McGhee, driver of the patrol wagon for the city.

Mr. Bowden's Story. According to Mr. Bowden, a shoemaker with a shop adjoining the blacksmith shop of Mr. Coffey on College street, he and Floyd McGhee were talking together in the shop; McGhee had been seated on a stool in the shop and had just arisen when an arm was struck through the door and a pistol shot rang out.

Allison picked up a hammer—it weighs two pounds and is covered with blood—and struck the fallen man several blows over the head. McGhee died in a few minutes after being shot and struck in the head with the hammer.

Allison Has a Record. J. B. Allison, who this afternoon shot and killed Floyd McGhee, has a record with a gun. He killed a negro some years ago and got out of the trouble. A year or more ago, while in the employ of the city as night janitor, he shot and killed a young man named Roberts from Charlotte and the plea of self-defense was entered.

When Deputy Sheriff Mitchell took Allison to jail this afternoon Allison stated that he did not want to talk about the affair but added "this thing has been going on for over a year."

Landers Elected Senator. Baton Rouge, July 5.—Gov. Jared Y. Sanders was this afternoon elected United States senator from Louisiana, succeeding Samuel Douglas McEnery, deceased. J. D. Williamson of Shreveport was also nominated but Sanders' majority was overwhelming.

Cotton Mills Shut Down. Providence, R. I., July 5.—Several textile mills, employing about 5000 persons have shut down for a fortnight, announcing curtailment of production.

Enormous Fire Loss. Montreal, July 5.—An Arnprior, Ontario, special, says fire has destroyed lumber worth from three million to five million dollars in Gillie's lumber yards.

Tennis Championship Play. Atlanta, July 5.—Opening matches in the tennis meet for the championship of the south were played today.

DISHING OUT NEWS OF GREAT FIGHT

Records of Quick Handling Broken by Gazette-News—Big Crowd, Heavy Street Sale.

When the flash—"Johnson wins, fifteenth—knockout"—came into The Gazette-News office yesterday afternoon the men who had been designated to each portion of the display heading put nimble fingers to work and in less than one minute the headlines were in place.

In exactly one and three-quarters minutes thereafter the press started. The Gazette-News had been its own record in getting to press. The composing and press rooms worked with lightning quickness and clock-like precision. There was not a fumble.

The street sales force, which had been organized for the day by "The Only" Fred Wolfe, started out in quick procession, and the shrill cry: "Gazette-News—Johnson wins," started, gathering volume as the ranks increased and losing it as the chorus spread out. Before Mr. Wolfe had half finished his instruction and exhortation to the eager crew gathered around him in the press room, Mr. Sawyer arrived to start the relay race to Canton with a bundle of papers carrying the great story.

The flood cut short one of the liveliest street sales The Gazette-News ever had. The first boys out sold their papers as fast as they could handle them and were back, panting, sweating, clamoring for more before the last boy got there. For a time the sales kept up with the press, set at 5000 an hour—to speed it up was to risk an accident. It looked as if the patient carriers would never get any papers. Short as this sale was, it was the biggest the office has had since the desperado man wandered forth and scattered sudden death through the streets.

The crowd assembled in front of The Gazette-News office long before the fight began, and continued to increase until the "flash" was read, when it quickly dispersed, not waiting to hear the eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth rounds megaphoned.

Why E. C. Sawyer, proprietor of the Asheville Automobile company, made the dash to Turnpike for The Gazette-News, in the face of that storm, will not be easy for everybody to understand. He is not engaged in the automobile hiring business, and he would not have done it for any reasonable sum of money. It was simply because he is the sort of man who will do anything in reason to accommodate a friend, and do it cheerfully.

Arrangements had been made to rush the paper to Hendersonville, automobiles from the two towns meeting at the big mud hole near Skyland. The Western Carolina Automobile company were willing to do a good turn by handling the Asheville end of the project, but the car that started out from Hendersonville came to grief, and the plan had to be abandoned.

To get out last night's paper The Gazette-News mechanical force worked as one man. Every one stuck to his post and delivered the goods. But for the storm, the paper would have been delivered to every subscriber in good time. As it was, there were few complaints, so the carriers—and no newspaper ever had a better bunch of boys—must have done pretty well, in the rain, mud and darkness.

DR. HYDE SENTENCED

Slayer of Col. Swope, Millionaire Philanthropist, Given Life Term at Hard Labor by Judge.

Kansas City, July 5.—Dr. B. C. Hyde, convicted of poisoning Colonel Thomas W. Swope, the millionaire philanthropist, was sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor by Judge Lathrop this morning.

BOARD OF TRADE TO MEET TONIGHT

Reports of Officer for the Year and Result of Directors' Election to Be Heard.

The annual all-members meeting of the board of trade will be held in City hall this evening at 8 o'clock when the reports of the various committees will be made. The committee composed of George L. Hackney and Frank M. Weaver, who have canvassed the vote for 11 directors for the coming year, will announce the result of the election tonight.

The meeting will be presided over by John A. Nichols, president of the board. Besides the regular committee reports, which are always interesting as they show to a certain extent the growth of the city during the past year, many matters of interest to the future of the city will be discussed. It is probable that the board will discuss, for instance, the golf situation and perhaps baseball.

FIGHT IN CONVENTION NOW APPEARS CERTAIN

Cocke Says He Has Heard from Graham, and Guder Got But Four Votes.

The contest for the democratic nomination for congress in the Tenth district still continues a disputed matter. Former Congressman J. M. Guder, Jr., still holds out that he will be nominated on the first ballot, with one vote at least to spare, while W. J. Cocke today stated that he had definite information that Mr. Guder would lack at least three votes or more of the nomination. Mr. Cocke issued this statement after he had heard from Graham county where, he said, Mr. Guder got only about four votes and this, it is said, will make Mr. Guder fall of a nomination on the first ballot.

That a convention fight and one by no means devoid of interest will be had here July 12 now seems certain.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN MONTHLY SESSION

Petitions Received for New Roads and for Improvement of Old Ones.

The board of county commissioners met yesterday in regular session, and was continued until today. Most of the business before the board was simply routine. There seems to be great interest in roads at this time and petitions are coming in, not only for new roads, but for improvements on old roads.

A petition has been filed by citizens in Limestone township for the laying out and improving of a road from Fairview to Fletcher, the particular part to be improved being from 200 feet to 500 feet over the lands of Tow and Rutledge. The county surveyor was ordered to lay out a road from near Robert Greenwood's place to the intersection of the road near the street bridge lead Beaverdam.

CONVICTS ARE AT WORK ON THE BEAVERDAM ROAD

Burnsville Road to Grace Link Being Built—Camp Near the Way Place.

Work on the Beaverdam road between the Burnsville road and Grace link has been going on for some time. The convicts are now at work building concrete abutments to the bridge which spans Beaverdam creek just above the old dam site. This bridge was erected a year or two ago and has withstood set in s'nt loneliness, awaiting the completion of the road.

Dirt is also being dumped against the abutments and grading at several points has begun. The road, well above the high water mark, is well graded, and will be a great improvement over the old road. A camping-place has been prepared out below the Way home and the stone for the macadam will be taken from a ledge nearby.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast until 8 p. m. Wednesday at Asheville and vicinity: Unsettled weather, thundershowers tonight or Wednesday. For North Carolina: Unsettled weather, thundershowers tonight or Wednesday. Moderate variable winds.

BIG DECREASE IN CASUALTIES

Reported Deaths in Celebration of the Fourth, 28 Against 44 Last Year, According to Chicago Tribune.

RESTRAINED OBSERVANCE OF THE DAY GIVEN CREDIT

The Total Number Injured 1,785—Chicago Fire Department Responded to 130 Calls Yesterday.

Chicago, July 5.—The restrained observance of Independence day throughout the country resulted in a material decrease in casualties, according to figures compiled by the Tribune. The dead reported totals 28. Last year it was 44. The number of injured this Fourth was 1785.

One Killed; 30 Injured. LaSalle, Ill., July 5.—One person was killed and 30 were seriously injured when a bridge collapsed during the Fourth of July celebration at Utica, Ill. There were 200 on the bridge at the time, and all were thrown into the water. Quick work of the men spectators prevented more fatalities.

Fire Alarm Records Broken. Chicago, July 5.—All fire alarm records here were broken yesterday, when the fire department responded to 160 calls.

BASIS OF INCREASED SALARY FOR TRAINMEN

F. P. Curtiss, Head of the Order of Railway Conductors, Announces the Agreement.

Washington, July 5.—F. P. Curtiss, vice president of the Order of Railway Conductors, has announced the basis of increase of pay to be given to conductors, flagmen and traveling baggagemasters of railroads in southeastern territory involved in the wage controversy just settled under the Erdman act. The increases will be allowed in two installments. The first was dated back to take effect from July 1, 1911. The following is the increased new scale on the basis of 100 miles:

Conductors of passenger trains from \$2.20 to \$2.50 and on April 1, 1911, to be raised to \$2.75. Traveling baggage masters from \$1.10 to \$1.35 and later to be raised to \$1.55. Passenger flagmen and brakemen from \$1 to \$1.32, later to be raised to \$1.50. Conductors of through freights from \$3.18 to \$3.55, later to be raised to \$3.75. Brakemen and flagmen on through freights from \$1.75 to \$2.35, later to be raised to \$2.50. Conductors on local freights from \$3.50 to \$4.15, later to be raised to \$4.25. Brakemen and flagmen on local freights from \$2.10 to \$2.63, later to be increased to \$2.75.

Twenty Injured by a Collision. Norfolk, July 5.—Twenty persons are in hospitals, the result of a collision on the Atlantic terminal division of the Norfolk and Portsmouth Traction company, about midnight. No one was dangerously injured. All but three were negro excursionists.

Church Societies Get \$95,000. Chester, Pa., July 5.—Baptist institutions and societies are given \$95,000 by the will of Samuel A. Crozen, millionaire manufacturer, who died recently.

Shot for Murder. Santiago, Chile, July 5.—Wilhelm Brekert, former chancellor of the German legation, was shot today for murdering a Chilean messenger of the legation February 6th, 1909.

Norwich, Conn., July 5.—Mayor Charles F. Thayer, democrat, formally announces that he is a candidate for United States senator to succeed Senator Bulkeley.

Twenty Nine Are Dead, And Thirty-Seven Injured

Middleton, O., July 5.—Three victims of the wreck of the Big Four New York flyer yesterday died from their injuries during the night, making a total number of dead 23. Reports from hospitals in Dayton and Hamilton, where many of the 37 injured were taken, indicate that a number of these will die. Some of them are frightfully injured and no hope is held out for their recovery.

CRIMINAL ASSAULT ATTEMPT CHARGED

White Horse The Defendant And an Indian Girl, Martha George, Prosecuting Witness.

White Horse, a local wrestler of some note who has met and won bouts from mat artists in this and other cities in North Carolina, a man of powerful physique who claims to be of Indian descent, is in a "peck of trouble." In short "White Horse" is charged with attempting criminal assault on Martha George, an Indian girl, at the Windsor hotel last night. It is alleged that the wrestler met the girl on the steps last night and dragged her into his room where he attempted to accomplish his purpose. The defendant does not deny that he had the girl in his room but maintains that she went there willingly; that he had beer or near-beer and that she drank some of it.

Through the process of an interpreter the girl who is prosecuting the wrestler, told her story. She said that White Horse forced her into his room; that he attempted assault; that he tore her shirt-waist and that she screamed for help. It was in evidence that someone about the hotel went to the room door. White Horse, on the witness stand in his own behalf, made a rather poor witness and failed to help his cause. Robert R. Reynolds represented the defendant, while J. W. Haynes appeared for the private prosecution. At the conclusion of the hearing Judge Cooke held that there was probable cause and bound the defendant to Superior court under bond in the sum of \$1000.

EAST INDIA'S COTTON CROP 4,502,000 BALES

The Figures Show an Increase Over Last Year's Yield, According to Government Officials.

Washington, July 5.—The East India cotton crop, for the agricultural year 1910, will be 4,502,000 bales, an increase of 911,000 bales over last year's yield, according to the East Indian government figures, submitted to the state department through Vice Consul Jackson of Madras. The total area under cotton in all territories of East India this year is \$20,227,000 acres. This area is about 60 per cent of the area planted in the United States, which, according to the last government report, was estimated at 33,196,000 acres.

HER NEGRO ASSAILANT FOILED; LATER LYNCHED

Plucky Bride of Three Months Takes Pistol From Man Who Enters Her Home.

Houston, Tex., July 5.—At Rodinia, near Corsicana, yesterday, a negro entered the home of Hub Bailey, a merchant, and brandishing a knife threatening criminal assault upon Mrs. Bailey, a bride of three months, who grappled with him and securing the weapon, forced the negro to take flight.

A posse caught the negro today in Richland creek bottom, and after he was identified he was hanged to a tree nearby.

Aeronaut Dies of Injuries. Bushnell, Ill., July 5.—R. C. Herrguth, who fell from a trapeze making a balloon ascension yesterday, died today.

Teachers Having Busy Time. Boston, July 5.—This was another busy and interesting day for the thousands of teachers in attendance on the annual convention of the National Educational Association. No general sessions were held during the day, but instructive meetings were held by the various departments. James Y. Joyner, president of the association, delivered his annual address at the general session in Tremont Temple tonight.

THE RENO AFFAIR CAUSE OF RIOTING

Much Bloodshed Reported from Many Places Following the Finish of Big Fight.

Chattanooga, July 5.—Three white militiamen from Mississippi, charged with attempting to incite riot with negroes following the Jeffries-Johnson fight, were turned over to the officers of their regiment in police court today. The military authorities promised to punish them.

Jacksonville, Fla., July 5.—With the city jail filled with rioters, the saloons all closed, and at least a dozen victims in the hospitals, the race riot that last night followed the announcement that Johnson had won the prize fight at Reno, was controlled early this morning.

New York Scene of Rioting. New York, July 5.—The police are keeping an active patrol in the "black belts" today to check any further sporadic race trouble engendered by the Jeffries-Johnson fight. Rioting between the whites and the blacks broke out in seven different points in the city last night following the announcement of the result of the Jeffries-Johnson fight. One negro was dragged from a street car and badly beaten before rescued.

A gang of white men in the "black and tan belt" set fire late last night to a negro tenement on the middle west side. The police and fire department were ordered out on the jump. In Roanoke, Va., July 5.—Six negroes with broken heads, six white men locked up and one white man, Joe Chockley, with a bullet through his skull and probably fatally wounded, is the net result of clashes here last night following the announcement that Jack Johnson had defeated Jim Jeffries.

The trouble started when a negro, who had just heard the news from Reno, said: "Now I guess the white folks will let the negroes alone." A white man replied, "No," and the two clashed.

The police had difficulty in landing the negro in jail, being compelled to draw their revolvers. Later a negro shot Chockley and escaped. The chief of police had the saloons closed at 9:30, a half hour ahead of the regular closing hour. City Physician Armistead says Chockley may die tonight.

Trouble in Atlanta. Atlanta, Ga., July 5.—Trouble between the blacks and whites as an outgrowth of the Jeffries-Johnson fight was narrowly averted last night when the police arrested half a dozen whites and one negro. The black yelled "Hurrah for Johnson" on a crowded down town street. He held a knife in his hand and in an instant several white men had struck around the whites had chased the negro into an alley.

The streets were thronged with men of both races in a nasty humor, but the police were vigilant and were able to prevent serious trouble. The first disorder arose at the Grand Opera house where a mixed audience heard the fight bulletins read. Later, some negroes started a parade to celebrate the victory of their fellow black. This the police stopped at once. On the order of the police commissioners the mounted men, the reserves and the detective force were called out and the downtown streets patrolled.

Prompt action by the police prevented serious clash. Philadelphia, July 5.—More than 100 whites and blacks, many with their heads bandaged, showing evidence of participation in last night's race riot, following Johnson's victory at Reno, were hauled before police magistrates this morning. It was a wild night of disorder among the rougher element of negroes. Fights broke out in nearly every part of the city where the two races intermingled.

Women Give Trouble in Baltimore. Baltimore, July 5.—Seven, negroes, half the number women were arrested last night in the "black belt" of the city for disorderly conduct over Johnson's victory. One negro was badly cut by another and two negroes were assaulted and severely beaten by the whites in argument over the fight.

Three Riot Calls at Pittsburg. Pittsburg, Pa., July 5.—Less than half an hour after the decision of the fight was announced here three riot calls were sent in to two police precincts in the negro hill district. Street cars were held up and insulting epithets were hurled at the passengers. The police beat the crowds back with their clubs to permit the passage of street cars. Patrolmen have been summoned to this district from all sections of the city.

Riots at National Capital. Washington, July 5.—Several small race riots broke out at various points on Pennsylvania avenue last night following announcement of the result of the Jeffries-Johnson fight. There were a number of fights but no one was seriously hurt. In fights resulting from clashes between negroes and white men over the championship battle at Reno, Thomas Mundle, a marine, had his throat cut. Another white man was found unconscious after the fight on Pennsylvania avenue. Several other participants in fights were seriously injured. Continued on page 2.

WHO'LL BEAT JACK JOHNSON?

Ring Followers Agree That No Man Now Measures up to the Job—Reno Disgorging Great Crowds.

GATE RECEIPTS ESTIMATED NOT LOWER THAN \$250,000

"I Saw He Was Beaten After Two Rounds; He Had Not Boxed Enough," Says Jeffries' Friend Corbett.

Reno, Nev., July 5.—Jack Johnson, with bass viola, trainers and camp equipment is speeding toward Chicago in the special car Redondo on a train that left Reno soon after midnight and reaches Chicago Thursday morning. He is under contract to fill a vaudeville engagement and says he will be glad to get another fight soon. Jim Jeffries, the wealthy farmer, leaves for his home in southern California in a special car at 7:30 tonight. As the result of the fight he is probably \$100,000 richer and the damage to his body and humiliation of his spirit will be healed by time. Every train is crowded with people, eager to reach their homes. Most of the prize ring celebrities have departed and Reno, yesterday the capital of the world, has shrunk to its normal. Talk among sporting authorities deals with the amazing superiority of Johnson in yesterday's battle. It is agreed that Johnson could have put his man out much sooner. It is said he wished to give the moving picture men films of proper length.

Sam Berger, manager for the defeated champion, said that Jeffries is bitterly disappointed. He feels that public opinion brought him back into the ring and his failure may not be taken lightly.

Jeffries Talks Little. "Jeffries is in good spirits, considering his disappointment. He is going back to his home life," he said. Jeffries went to the baths this morning as usual. He kept away from visitors who traveled to the springs. He has talked little of the fight, since he was brought back to his cottage a beaten, bruised, brooding figure. As he walked around his house this morning his stride seemed noticeably unsteady and his big head hung down on his breast. The swelling around his right eye was very evident and there were numerous slight bruises and contusions around his nose and mouth, but his face showed little discoloration. The work of the rubbers went far toward removing the signs of defeat.

Beaten and Disheartened, But Rich. Returning to the cottage, Jeffries went out on the lawn and sat down, his big head hanging down and his eyes fixed on the ground. His every move stamped him as a beaten, disheartened man. Mrs. Jeffries was not to be seen. Jack Johnson was \$120,000 richer when Jim Jeffries went down for the last time in yesterday's fight. He took 60 per cent of the \$101,000 purse which amounted to \$60,000, and a bonus of \$10,000 and sold his picture interests for \$50,000. Jeffries took a fortune out of defeat at Johnson's hands. He received 40 per cent of the purse amounting to \$40,400, and a bonus of \$10,000 and sold his picture interests for \$55,866, making a total of \$117,000. The owners of the picture films are calculating on a million dollars profit.

Reno is very busy disgorging the crowds today. The get away began an hour after Jeffries went through the ropes yesterday afternoon, and trains followed one another out in quick succession. Here and there fight experts still linger and the big battle is the one topic discussed. The big roller-maker's decisive defeat seems a personal sorrow to men of the sporting world. There is no animosity toward Johnson, rather keen admiration for his ability as a fighter. Most experts had persuaded themselves that the Jeffries who motored to the ringside yesterday ready for combat was the Jeffries of six years ago. The fight had not gone five rounds before this belief was shaken. With Johnson the undaunted world's champion the next question is who will wrest it from him. Ring followers agree that no man now measures up to the job.

The lowest estimate of the gate money is \$250,000. The promoters' staff places the attendance at from 12,000 to 20,000. It was the biggest crowd that ever saw a prize fight, experts who saw it at the ringside agree. Johnson gave no indication of a "yellow streak."

Corbett's Explanation. In defeat Jeffries and his men had little to say. Jim Corbett, Jeffries' chief adviser, declared that Jeffries should have boxed more during training. Corbett said: "As soon as he had boxed two rounds I knew he had nothing. He was all right in spots but the muscles used most in actual fighting, because of lack of practice in training, failed to respond when called upon." Sam Berger, Jeffries' manager, admits the better man won the first and adds: "The Jeffries of Monday." Continued on page 2.