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NEGRO RIOT AT BUIE.

One Negro Killed, Another in Jail With Bullet in Back and Two White Men Slightly Wounded as Result of Shooting in County Saturday — Whiskey and "Dead-Game" Sport Negroes Bottom of Trouble.

As results of a negro riot at Buie Saturday evening about six o'clock Will Breeden, colored, was killed, two white men were slightly wounded, pistol balls passed through the lapel and sleeve of another white man's coat, and Z. R. (known as "Coot") Patterson, colored, lies in the county jail in Lumberton with a pistol ball in his back, though his wound is not thought to be dangerous. According to the evidence before the coroner's jury yesterday, 15 or 20 shots were fired by a half dozen or so negroes out of a crowd of 15 or 20 negroes and the jury found that the shot that killed Breeden was fired by one of three negroes—"Coot" Patterson, Daniel Patterson or Luther Woods. Woods and Daniel Patterson have not yet been captured. "Coot" Patterson went to Red Springs to have his wound dressed and was arrested by the chief of police of that town. He was brought to jail yesterday afternoon by Sheriff R. E. Lewis, who went after him about daylight yesterday morning and took him to Buie, where Coroner Rancke held inquest yesterday at noon. There was no evidence before the coroner's jury that any shots were fired by any of the half-dozen white men present when the firing was going on.

It was in evidence at the coroner's inquest that at the depot at Buie Saturday evening about 6 o'clock a crowd of negroes were drinking and cursing. Mr. Ray, the depot agent, insisted on the negroes not using such language. They got more boisterous and abusive and Mr. Ray ordered them off the platform. The negroes then got more boisterous still, cursing white men and daring any white man to put his foot upon the ground. Mr. Ed Purnell, son of Mr. Hardy Purnell, went into the crowd and the negroes cursed him and one of them struck at him. Mr. Purnell dodged the blow and Will Breeden grabbed him from behind and threw him against the steps, knocking him unconscious for a while. Breeden landed on top of Mr. Purnell. Immediately some of the negroes, who were some yards back of Mr. Purnell and Breeden, began firing, 15 or more shots being fired. One ball struck Breeden in the back and passed through his heart, death resulting in a few minutes.

Two white men were slightly wounded—Mr. Tom Purnell, shot through a finger, and Mr. Jno Glover, shot through one of his arms. Two balls passed through Mr. Watts Purnell's coat, one through a lapel and the other through a sleeve, and he swore at the inquest that these shots were fired by "Coot" Patterson. Many balls entered the steps at the depot.

Sheriff Lewis was notified while the riot was going on and he and Deputies Joe and Willis Britt left immediately for Buie. They picked up Deputy Calvin Lowrey on the way and were at Buie within an hour. The sheriff and his deputies spent all night Saturday night searching for the negroes, going to all the negro houses in that section, but no trace of them could be found. "Coot" Patterson, as stated above, went to Red Springs to have his wound dressed, was arrested there, Sheriff Lewis went for him early yesterday morning, returned to Buie for the inquest, and brought him to jail here about 2 p. m. No date has yet been set for the preliminary hearing.

It is said that much whiskey has been shipped to Buie recently and for several Saturday afternoons there has been rowdy conduct there among the negroes. The Patterson negroes are said to be the kind who spend part of their time up North and come back thinking themselves "dead-game" sports.

Mr. Ed Purnell, who was thrown by Breeden and knocked senseless, was not seriously hurt. It would seem from the result of the firing that the fact that Breeden was on top of him probably saved his life.

Twenty Judges for North Carolina, Committee Decide.

Raleigh News and Observer, 1st.

The joint Senate and House committee on courts and judicial districts yesterday afternoon, by large majorities, decided that twenty judges were necessary for North Carolina superior court judiciary, and that the State should not be divided into circuits, but that the present unit system shall continue.

Health Warning.

Chilled and wet feet result in congesting the internal organs, and inflammation of the kidneys and bladder, with rheumatic twinges and pains in back, generally follow. Use Foley Kidney Pills. They are the best medicine made for all disorders of the kidneys, for bladder irregularities, and for backache and rheumatism. They do not contain habit forming drugs. Tonic in action, quick in results. For sale by all dealers.

HANGED HIMSELF IN JAIL.

Henry Irving, a Northern Negro who Fell Into the Toils Here, Commits Suicide by Hanging Himself in Robeson County Jail—Tied Belt to Bar of Cell—Was Awaiting Trial for Attempt at Assault.

Henry Irving, colored, who figured prominently in the report in Thursday's Robesonian of cases in the mayor's court Thursday morning, committed suicide in the county jail Thursday night by hanging himself to a bar of his cell with an ordinary leather belt.

Jailer A. H. Prevatt and George Anderson, colored, the jail "trustee," visited the cell upon the ground floor, where Irvin was confined, about 11 o'clock Thursday night and found the prisoner apparently all right, but the lights were out and Mr. Prevatt told Irving, who said, in reply to Mr. Prevatt's question about the lights, that they had "busted," that he would have them fixed in the morning. Irving said that it was all right, that he would fix them himself. Friday morning when George went to the cell after Irving's plate to bring him breakfast he found the prisoner hanging by his neck and immediately notified Mr. Prevatt, who cut the negro down at once. The body was stiff. Irving had evidently been dead for some time. Coroner Rancke viewed the body but decided that an inquest was not necessary. Some pieces of an electric light bulb were found in Irving's pocket and it is thought that he had broken the bulb himself.

The bar of the cell to which the belt was fastened is only about six feet from the floor. Irving passed the belt around an upright bar above a cross bar and through the buckle. He then passed the loose end of the belt around his neck twice and tied it. There were only a few inches between his head and the end of the belt fastened to the bar, and in order to choke himself to death he had to bend his knees and swing his weight to the belt. It was found that he had started to tear strips off a blanket, supposedly for the purpose of hanging himself, but this had been abandoned.

As stated in Thursday's Robesonian, Irving was tried in the mayor's court Thursday morning on two charges, one of disorderly conduct and the other of attempt to assault Rebecca Hooper, his wife's sister, at the home of her father, William Hooper, with whom Irving and his wife had made their home for the past three months, just across the railroad from the Seaboard depot. For disorderly conduct Irving was fined \$25 and costs and for the attempt at assault he was bound to court in a \$100 bond. This bond he was unable to give and he was remanded to jail to await trial in the higher court.

Irving came here from New York some three months ago with William Hooper's daughter, the couple stating that they had been married up North, and Irving had lived here in idleness at the home of William Hooper. He had the reputation of being quarrelsome and a disturbing element among the negroes, abusing them at times for working for white people. In his possession when arrested was found something which looked like an attempt to make an "infernal machine." It was in evidence at the trial that he had threatened to do damage with it, but it proved upon examination to be harmless.

The body was removed to the undertaking parlors of R. D. Caldwell & Son and embalmed and was shipped yesterday to New York.

SIX-YEAR TERM APPROVED.

Senate Approves Constitutional Amendment to Restrict President to Term of 6 Years.

Washington Dispatch, 1st.

A constitutional amendment which would restrict President of United States to single term of six years, and would bar Woodrow Wilson, Theodore Roosevelt and William H. Taft from again seeking election was approved by the Senate today by the narrow majority of one vote.

After an all-day fight in which the Progressives joined with many Republicans in opposing the measure as proposed, the Senate adopted the original Work's resolution by a vote of 47 to twenty-three.

The language which it is proposed to insert in the constitution in place of the first paragraph of Article II, is as follows: "The executive power shall be vested in a President of the United States of America. The term of President shall be six years, and no person who has held the office by election, or discharged its powers or duties or acted as President under the constitution and laws made in pursuance thereof, shall be eligible to hold again the office by election."

The resolution proposing the constitutional amendment now goes to the House for its approval. If ratified by a two-thirds vote it will be submitted to the voters of the United States and will become effective when three-fourths of the 48 States of the Union have officially approved it.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

A Tilt Between Former Judges, Now Senators—Anti-Cigarette Bill—To Increase Superior Court Judges to Twenty—Other Bills of Interest.

In both the Senate and the House Saturday bills were introduced to provide for 20 instead of 16 superior court judges and districts. The House passed the bill and sent it to the Senate and then clinched it by passing a motion to reconsider the motion and table it, thus making it impossible for the matter to be reopened in the House again.

Representative Clark of Pitt county introduced in the House Saturday a drastic bill aimed to prevent the sale and manufacture in North Carolina of cigarettes.

A bill to form a new special school tax district at Red Springs and authorize a bond issue for school, introduced by Representative McMillan, has passed the House.

The Senate Thursday passed the resolution providing for an extra session of the Legislature to propose and submit specific amendments to the constitution to be voted upon by the people. The resolution provides that a commission composed of five members of the Senate, seven members of the House and five men appointed by the Governor shall, during the interim between the adjournment of the regular session and the convening of the extra session, prepare amendments to the constitution to be proposed to the extra session and to be acted upon when that session convenes. The presiding officers of the Senate and the House are to be ex-officio members of the commission, which is to prepare and file its report with the Governor fifty days before the General Assembly convenes in extra session.

The House Thursday passed a bill introduced by Representative Plummer Stewart, making it a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment, for a farm tenant or a laborer to violate any provision of a contract made by him with a landlord to cultivate certain lands or to work on the farm for a specified length of time. The bill makes no provision for punishing the landlord for any violation of the contract on his part, and an amendment that such contract should be in writing was voted down. A number of the lawyers of the House declared the measure unconstitutional, but others held a different view. The bill applies to only about fifty counties. Robeson, Columbus, Richmond, Hoke, Cumberland, Bladen, Scotland, Montgomery are included in the counties that would be affected should the bill become law.

The Senate Friday passed on its final reading a bill to amend the Re-Visal of 1905 concerning the method of drawing special venire and jurors and the court practice in selecting jurors for the trial of cases. This is one of the judicial reform bills advocated by the North Carolina Bar Association and drawn by the legislative committee of that organization. Among the most important provisions of the bill are those allowing the defendant in capital trials only twelve peremptory challenges instead of twenty-three, as provided by the present law, and the State four; and doing away with the requirement that jurors drawn in the box must be freeholders.

The House Friday passed the employer's liability bill which passed the Senate several days ago. It applies only to railroads. Also the resolution providing for an investigation by the corporation commission of the sale and dismemberment of the Atlantic & Yadkin railroad. The bill empowers the corporation commission to bring suit in the name of the State in the Federal courts to have the sale and dismemberment of that railroad set aside.

The following bills of special interest were introduced in the House Friday: By Representative Mintz, to appoint a State building commission and provide for the erection of an educational building to be known as the "Aycock Memorial Building," in honor of the late Charles Brantley Aycock, and to cost \$250,000. This bill is understood to have the endorsement of the State department of education. By Representative Bynum, to allow children living outside of State high school districts to attend these schools without tuition charges; by Representative Etheridge, to "increase the pay of inmates of the Soldiers' Home."

Shoots Family Milch Cow With "Unloaded" Gun.

Reported for The Robesonian.

Thursday of last week the 11-year-old son of Mr. Charley Brooks, who lives near town, took a 22 rifle which he didn't suppose was loaded, pointed it at the family milch cow, and unexpectedly shot her dead at once.

Conductor S. L. Miller, Norfolk, Neb., on Bonestell division of C. & N. W. Ry. Co., recommends Foley Kidney Pills and says, "I have used Foley Kidney Pills with very satisfactory results and endorse their use for anyone afflicted with kidney trouble. They are all right." For sale by all dealers.

MISSION INSTITUTE.

To be Held in First Baptist Church of Lumberton Three Days Next Week.

A mission institute will be held in the First Baptist church of Lumberton February 12-13. It will be conducted by Rev. Livingston Johnson, corresponding secretary of the State Mission Board. He will be assisted by Rev. C. J. Thompson of the Foreign Mission Board and Rev. C. E. Maddry, pastor of the Raleigh Baptist tabernacle, and others.

It is earnestly hoped that there will be a large attendance of pastors and laymen, not only from the churches of the Robeson Association, but from the adjoining associations also. This will be an exceedingly helpful meeting and it is hoped by those who have it in charge that it will be well attended by a large number of Christian workers throughout this entire section.

The First Baptist church will cordially welcome, and provide homes for, all pastors and laymen who attend. Please send in your name at once to C. H. Durham, pastor of the church, who will take pleasure in arranging for your free entertainment while here. C. H. DURHAM.

Turkish Army Ordered to Await Attack.

London Dispatch, 2d.

The Porte has ordered the Turkish plenipotentiaries not to leave London until hostilities are resumed and has instructed the army to await the attack before firing a shot.

Thus the Ottomans, who with the exception of the Montenegrins, are the only delegates left in London, remarked today that nobody could accuse them of not having done all that was humanely possible to come to terms. Animated by a humanitarian spirit, they added Turkey wished to avoid useless carnage and wished also to show deference to the advice of the Powers, although Europe had been unfair toward Turkey.

War May Be Resumed Today.

London Dispatch, 1st.

Almost the last doubt that the Balkan war would be resumed Monday evening was removed tonight by the reports from Constantinople and Sofia, of the active preparation for hostilities being made by the Turks and Bulgaria, Greece, Montenegro and Servia. But the ambassadors of the powers profess to believe that the renewed fighting would be very brief and that Turkey would request the resumption of peace negotiations soon after the first battle. The representatives of the Balkan Allies remaining in London, concurred in this belief of the diplomats.

The Balkan envoys stoutly maintained that no influence could avail to cause the allies to modify their present demands on Turkey, but they were confident that when actual warfare developed, the powers would exert pressure that would force the sublime Porte to renew its overtures for peace.

Buster Brown and Tige.

Buster Brown and his dog Tige were in Lumberton very much in the flesh last Thursday. They were at the store of the Jno. T. Biggs Co. to advertise Buster Brown shoes, and they attracted a large crowd. At one time they had the street in front of the store blockedad this Buster—he said that was his name, sure enough—is ugly as ugly, and there is nothing youthful-looking about him except his size. He is some 41 inches tall, weighs 62 pounds and is 52 years old. He gave a history of the shoe factory, a sketch of his own life, and distributed some souvenirs. He has been traveling all over for the company for the past 7 years and Tige has been with him all the time, Tige now being 8 years old.

Performing Pony at Pastime This Week.

"Chime," advertised as "America's greatest performing pony, will be the attraction at the Pastime theatre Wednesday and Thursday of this week in addition to the regular picture programme. There will be a special matinee for school children Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The prices of admission will be 10 cents for children, 20 cents for adults. It is said that this pony adds, subtracts, tells time by any watch and does many other acts seemingly impossible to a pony.

One Way of Doing It.

The other day Chief of Police Redfern arrested a man for being drunk on the street and locked him up to await trial for violating a town ordinance. Some 20 or 30 minutes later—maybe more, maybe less—so it is told, the mayor went to the calaboose and in his own proper person turned the man out and sent him home. It is understood that the case has not yet come up for trial. And that is one way of doing it.

"Suffered day and night the torment of itching piles. Nothing helped me until I used Doan's Ointment. The result was lasting." Hon. John R. Garrett, Mayor, Girard, Ala.

GREAT IS ORGANIZATION.

What the Farmers' Union Means and Can Be Made to Mean—A Great Saving—A Robeson War History.

To the Editor of The Robesonian:

The Mt. Eliam local of the Farmers' Union is now at its best. The old members have paid up their dues for the year, and new ones are coming in at almost every meeting. Did you ever think what it meant for the farmers in a community to be organized into one body? It is true that all the farmers of any community can do more than one individual. One might ask for a thing and not receive it, when the whole community asked as one they would be most likely to receive it. Then that way of being brothers is a pretty thing in my sight. If the Farmers' Union hadn't yet been born it would be to the general interest of every community to be organized into one body, to sell together, and buy together. Common sense teaches a man that you can sell large quantities for more than you can small ones, also you can buy large amounts for less than you could small ones. I am pleased, and well pleased, with the fact that our farmers are going to buy most of their fertilizers through the Union this year, and all next year, as they are going to be so well pleased at the money saved. From the Charlotte Semi-Weekly Observer I learn that at a meeting held in Charlotte last week it was estimated that at least 200,000 tons of fertilizers would be bought through the Union this year in North Carolina, at a saving of not less than \$400,000 by the purchasers of this fertilizer. The Union at this time owns its own fertilizer plants. Just think what could be saved by the farmers of North Carolina were they all Union men! Millions of dollars would be left on the farms that go to the "jeans" of somebody who don't even thank you for it, even if you are giving it to them for nothing in return. For the sake of yourself, and the sake of the boys who will be the farmers of tomorrow, let me ask you, if a farmer, to join the Union. If you have been a member and didn't do anything, for the love of Mike get on the inside and stay. It will mean much to you, to your country and more to your sons and daughters. If your local has gone out, push it up and get it to blazing again. If you are any good we need you, if not, we don't. If you have a delinquent member in your local see him, talk to him, get him interested. Be a Union missionary. Go out into the highways and hedges and bring them in, and by so doing help yourself and them also. To the Union men, let me ask that you don't buy any fertilizers till you have seen our business agent, Mr. W. K. Culbreth, of Lumberton, R. F. D. No. 6. We are sure he can interest you. You are not going to get any good out of anything unless you try, so hustle for your own interest and the interest of your brother farmer. If you have money to loan out, loan it to your brother who is buying "on time," at a reasonable interest. They are paying from 20 to 50 per cent. interest when they buy "on time." When you hear a man say the Farmers' Union is dead you may rest assured he is one that don't know. Of course, there are not as many members in Robeson county now as there were at first, but the second growth of the Farmers' Union is the one that counts for something, not the crowd that goes in at first "just to see." We have rested long enough, so let's get busy and bring things to pass.

The bravest men and women of which the South can ever boast will soon all be gone to another dwelling place, and still we have never yet seen what we hoped to see, a Robeson war history, in which would be the war-time experiences of many Robeson county veterans in their own words, something that their great-grand-children could read and enjoy. I have already the experiences of a few in their own words, and if I had enough I would see to it that at some time in the not distant future a book that contained these reminiscences should be written. To the young ladies of Robeson, let me ask that if you have a grand-father, an uncle or a friend, who did for us what we could not do for ourselves, and would at some time in the future like to see their experiences in print, write it in their own words and send it to us at Orrum or Lumberton, and we'll appreciate it very much. We'll not have them with us always, and when they're all gone the world will not be the same. A few more years will roll and they shall be no more, They'll all be passed away and gone To the eternal shore.

—Happy Jack.
Orrum, N. C., R. F. D. 1, Feb. 3, 1913.

W. S. Skelton, a merchant at Stanley, Ind., says he would not take \$100.00 for the relief a single box of Foley's Kidney Pills gave him. "I had a severe attack of kidney trouble with sharp pains through my back and could hardly straighten-up. A single box of Foley's Kidney Pills entirely relieved me." For sale by all dealers.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

—Middling cotton today 11½ cents. —Fairmont free rural mail delivery route No. 2 was discontinued last week. The why of this action has not been learned.

—Mr. W. F. French will leave this evening for the Western markets to purchase horses and mules for W. F. French & Co.

—If you want a ticket at the local Seaboard station you will have to call for it before the train arrives in the yard. Notice to that effect has been posted at the station.

—If his honor the ground hog did not see his shadow yesterday it was because he was too bloomin' lazy to come out of his hole, so according to ancient belief there must be six weeks more of winter.

—The coca-cola bottling works plant has been moved from the brick building near the Seaboard depot, on Elm street, to the company's own plant recently built between the Seaboard and V. & C. S. tracks in the eastern part of town.

—Mrs. W. S. Wishart, who had been housekeeper at the Waverly hotel since last September, resigned last week and returned to her home on Elm street today. After resting for a while she may begin taking boarders again at her home.

—Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Johnson, who had been boarding at the home of Dr. Johnson's brother-in-law and sister, Prof. and Mrs. J. R. Poole, began housekeeping last week in the house on Elm street owned by Misses Laura and Emma Norment, formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Holloway.

—M. G. Y. Jones, local agent of the Virginia & Carolina Southern Railroad, went to Baltimore the last of last week to consult a specialist about some stomach trouble that has been bothering him for some time. He has been advised that an operation would be unnecessary, as he thought. Mr. Jones will spend a few weeks in Baltimore undergoing treatment.

—William Robeson and Bertha Blount, colored, were married in the store of Messrs. White & Gough, Elm street, Saturday night, the ceremony being performed by Justice A. E. White. As is his custom when he performs such a ceremony, Justice White insisted that the groom should salute the bride before the company there assembled; and William did. He was not at all loath to do it.

—Mrs. Octavia Thomas, who keeps house for her cousin Rev. C. H. Durham, at the Baptist parsonage on Fifth street, returned Saturday from Raleigh, where she had been for two months with her sister Miss Kate Durham, who has been sick at the Rex Hospital. Miss Durham's condition has improved and Mrs. Thomas hopes to bring her to the Thompson hospital here in about two weeks.

—Messrs. L. M. McKenzie and H. B. McPhaul left this morning for Raleigh, where they will take a 4-months' course at Page's School of Pharmacy. Mr. McPhaul has been connected with the Pope Drug Co. for the past three years and for about the same length of time Mr. McKenzie has been connected with the Lumberton Drug Co. Both young men expect to return to Lumberton as soon as they complete their course.

—The county commissioners and the road board are holding their regular monthly meetings today. The county board of education is not in session on account of the fact that only one of its members, Chairman Lucius McRae, is present. Mr. T. L. Johnson went to Raleigh last night and Mr. L. R. Hamer was detained at home on account of not being well enough to brace a 12-mile drive through such rough weather.

Mr. M. W. Floyd Purchases Interest of Late Partner in Business of Crump & Floyd.

Mr. M. W. Floyd has purchased from Mrs. D. W. Crump the interest of his late partner in the mercantile firm of Crump & Floyd and will continue the business at the same place on Elm street. Mr. Floyd will sell out the entire stock at cost and put in a new stock of goods. The store was closed from Wednesday noon of last week to Saturday morning, during which time Messrs. H. McEl, McMillan, J. D. Norment and D. K. Gregory took stock as appraisers of the old firm.

Superior Court—Criminal Term Begins Wednesday.

Still grinding away on the interminable Edmund will case in the superior court. A 2-weeks' criminal term was supposed to begin this morning but the jurors for this week were notified last Saturday not to come until Wednesday of this week, when it is supposed the work of the criminal term will begin. Judge Ferguson is presiding.

Rev. Jno. N. Stallings, D. D., one of the oldest and best-known Baptist ministers in North Carolina, died at his home at Spencer yesterday morning. He was nearly 81 years old.

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