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## DEATH FOR TRACEY BY HIS OWN HAND

**Wounded, Hemmed in. Hopeless, the Outlaw Strikes.**

**LIKE THE RATTLESNAKE**

**Which Prefers Death by Its Fangs to Any Other.**

**A SHORT WILD RACE FROM THE OFFICERS**

**Surrounded in a Wheat Field, His Leg Broken by a Bullet, This Haunted Magnificent Savage Dies Rather than Surrender His Liberty.**

(By the Associated Press.)

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 6.—Harry Tracey, the notorious outlaw, who, with David Merrill, escaped from the Oregon penitentiary at Salem, June 9, after killing three prison guards, killed himself early this morning, after being wounded by the fire of one of a posse in pursuit. Tracey was surrounded in a wheat field near Fellows, a station on the Washington Central Railroad, about fifty miles west of Spokane, last night. Word was sent back to Davenport, the county seat, and a large number of armed men hurried to the scene. The posse, under Sheriff Gardner, opened fire on the outlaw, and one bullet pierced his right leg between the knee and thigh. About twenty minutes after being wounded, he shot himself with one of his revolvers and his body was found this morning after day-break. The revolver with which he killed himself was grasped tightly in his right hand.

After baffling the officers of two States, after a wonderful flight of nearly four hundred miles across Oregon and Washington, Tracey was hunted down by four citizens of the little farming town of Creston, and a lone deputy sheriff, Sheriff Gardner and posse arrived in time to guard the wheat field through the night; but the work had already been done. The posse that will share the reward was made up as follows:

C. A. Straub, deputy sheriff; Dr. E. C. Lanter, Maurice Smith, attorney; J. J. Morrison, railway section foreman, and Frank Lillengen. These men, armed to the teeth, set out from Creston yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock.

They were working on the information of the Goldfish youth, who had been forcibly made the companion of the Oregon convict for over twenty-four hours at the ranch of L. B. Eddy, on Lake Creek, about three miles south from Fellows, a station on the Washington Railroad. The party made all possible haste in getting to the ranch. When within a few hundred yards of the farm they encountered Farmer Eddy moving in one of his fields. While engaging him in conversation they saw a man slipping from the barn door.

"Is that Tracey?" asked one of the party.

"It surely is," replied Eddy. The party separated. Lanter and Smith accompanying Eddy in the direction of the barn, while the other men swung around to the other side. Two of the men stepped behind the barn on a slight eminence, from which they could watch everything that went on, and Eddy continued on up to the door. Tracey came from the barn again and began helping his host unhitch the horses. He carried no rifle, although he had his revolvers in place.

The fugitive finally saw eight men carrying rifles and turned sharply to Eddy, and said:

"Who are those men?"

"I don't see any men," said Eddy. Tracey pointed out his companion on the hill. Eddy informed his companion who the men were, and the outlaw made a leap for the barn door. The pursuers stepping a bit closer, commanded, "Hold your hands." The outlaw jumped behind Eddy and first placed the farmer and then his horse between himself and the pursuers. He commanded the farmer to lead his horse to the barn and remained under cover, moving toward shelter. When near the stable he broke and dashed inside. He quickly reappeared, rifle in hand, and started on a dead run.

Turning on the two men nearest him, the desperado fired two shots, but without his usual duck, neither bullet taking effect. Without waiting for further fighting Tracey made a dash down the valley leading south from the barn and headed for the brush. In an instant the man-hunters were off in pursuit, firing as they ran. Coming to a rock, Tracey dodged behind it, and resting his gun on the rock began a fusillade. Eight shots in all were fired by the outlaw, not one hitting its mark. Seeing he was not succeeding he bolted for a wheat field close by. At the edge of the field he stumbled, falling on his face and crawled into the grain on his hands and knees.

It was growing dark and the pursuers, not daring to move in closer, decided to surround the place and wait for daylight. In the meantime Sheriff Gardner, with Policemen Stauffer and Gemberim, of Spokane; Jack O'Farrell, of Davenport, and other reinforcements had arrived on the scene, and they went into camp around the field during the night. Shortly after Tracey disappeared a shot was heard from the direction of the wheat field. No investigation was made, however, until this morning. As soon as

down came, an entrance was made into the wheat field.

Tracey's dead body was found lying amid the grain with his face turned toward the sky. His left hand thrown over his head held a revolver which had inflicted the death wound. The thumb of his hand was on the trigger of the pistol. His right hand, thrown across the lower part of his body, firmly grasped the barrel of the famous rifle. Death was inflicted by a revolver held close to the forehead. The top of his head was badly shattered.

Two bullet wounds on the left leg showed the cause of the man's despondency. One shot had broken the leg between the ankle and the knee. The other cut the tibial artery, which of itself was sufficient cause for death.

It is believed that both of these wounds were received after the convict left the shelter of the rock and made his break from the wheat field. The fugitive had taken a strap and buckled it tight around his leg in an attempt to stop the bleeding. Despite the tightly fastened strap the bleeding continued until he probably realized his hopeless condition and ended the struggle. He was dressed in blue overalls, a white shirt and wore no coat or hat. He wore a bicycle cap and a pair of rough shoes.

He had one rifle and two revolvers. Sheriff Gardner, of Lincoln county, and his assistants arrived on the scene in time to help in the discovery of the remains, and it is stated that he maintained that he and his deputies were entitled to at least a share of the booty. This was disputed by the Creston party, the members of which maintain that they did the work and to them belong the reward. Finally Sheriff Gardner was allowed to take the body with the understanding that he recommend that the reward be paid to the men from Creston. The body, effects and the horses of the desperado were taken in charge by Sheriff Gardner and taken direct to Davenport, where they will be kept pending the decision of the final disposition of Tracey's body. Reports come from Davenport that wild excitement prevailed. Stores are closed and people are crawling around to get a sight of the outlaw. It is stated that a heavy guard is kept around the morgue where the body is kept as well as around the corpse itself to prevent relic hunters from tearing the clothing to pieces and carrying away souvenirs.

An inquest probably will be held.

## THE FRIENDS AT WORK

**The Attendance Above the Average and the Interest Steadily Increasing.**

(Special to News and Observer.) High Point, N. C., August 6.—The yearly meeting of the Friends was opened this morning at 10 o'clock.

A number of Friends had arrived since the close of yesterday's service, among whom may be mentioned Revs. Seth Stafford, accompanied by Mrs. Stafford and the Rev. Mr. Harvey, all from the State of Indiana. Two Friends also from Canada yearly meeting were in attendance this morning, Mr. Haight and Mr. Polard. Credentials were read for all the Friends in attendance from other yearly meetings and a very cordial welcome extended to them, in response to which Rev. Allen Jay, of Earlham College, Indiana, made some very appropriate and impressive remarks, stating that he had many years ago spent nine years within the limits of North Carolina in the work of education and evangelization, and that he had regarded those years as among the most fruitful of his life.

The yearly meeting was then opened for business and most of the morning session was given to reading epistles addressed to the North Carolina meeting from London and Duplin yearly meetings. The general epistle, issued by the London yearly meeting every year and addressed to all the yearly meetings in the world is considered to be a most valuable document as containing much of the best religious thought and doctrine in the Society of Friends. A committee was appointed to confer with the trustees of Guilford College in filling vacancies in that body. After the announcement of public service in the afternoon and the programme of the exercises of future sessions the morning session closed.

In the afternoon a meeting for worship was held and several preachers engaged in a gospel service, which was conducted for an hour and a half. The meeting for the evening was mainly devoted to the work of peace and Bible schools, and some interesting addresses were made.

The meeting yesterday afternoon was especially devoted to considering the work of the ministry of the gospel and composed largely of ministers and elders belonging to North Carolina yearly meeting. The exercises were chiefly of a preliminary character and formed a very suitable opening devotional preparation for the work of the yearly meeting this year. There were present delegates from the eight quarterly meetings constituting the yearly meeting, and these had come together for a serious consideration of the needs of the church with special reference to the preachings of the gospel and building up the church in the various communities represented at the night session. The main business was a conference of what is known as the Home Mission Committee. At this conference reports were made of the conditions existing throughout the yearly meetings, and it was hoped that though the knowledge thus derived the next yearly gathering may be better planned and more fruitful in results.

Mr. Allen Jay is expected to make a special address to the young workers and (Continued on Fifth Page.)

## WOMAN FLIES TO ESCAPE OUTRAGE

**Foul Proposal Made by a Skulking Negro.**

**SHE FLEES SCREAMING**

**After a Short Pursuit He Abandons the Chase.**

**LASHES HORSE INTO A GALLOP, ESCAPES**

**Officers Are Following Every Possible Clew, But as Yet the Negro Has Not Been Apprehended. The Woman Suffering From Shock.**

(Special to News and Observer.)

Greensboro, N. C., August 6.—Mrs. J. P. Johnson, of this city, while carrying her husband's dinner today, was approached by a strange negro man, who had been in hiding behind a clump of bushes in a ravine near the Greensboro Female College, and to the rear of State Solicitor Brooks' residence. Upon an improper proposal being made to her, Mrs. Johnson screamed, when the brute made for her.

Dashing the dinner pail in his face she fled screaming, pursued by the man until she bounded over the solicitor's back fence, when the pursuer again went into hiding. Later he was seen to mount a wagon driven by another negro and lash the horse into a gallop, jumping out at a dense thicket on a branch near Ashe street just as the pursuers caught sight of him.

A negro answering his description was arrested at 5 o'clock, but promptly discharged when Mrs. Johnson was able to look at him and declare he was not the man. Every possible clew is being followed by officers to catch up with the assailant, but so far without success. Mrs. Johnson is suffering from the result of fright and excitement. She is a woman of irreproachable character for truth and modesty.

## On the Diamond.

(Special to News and Observer.) Winston-Salem, N. C., Aug. 6.—A close and exciting ball game was played here this afternoon between Winston-Salem and Stoneville. At the opening of the ninth inning the score was a tie, but Winston-Salem won by making one run, making the score 9 to 8.

## National League.

(By the Associated Press.) At New York— R. H. E. Pittsburgh ..... 2 000 0-2 7 0 New York ..... 0 000 0-0 1 1 Game called and end of fifth inning on account of rain.

## American League.

At St. Louis— R. H. E. St. Louis ..... 1 011 10200-6 12 2 Boston ..... 0 040 02100-7 12 2

At Detroit— R. H. E. Detroit ..... 0 10000000-1 6 2 Baltimore ..... 1 000 01000-2 10 0 At Chicago— R. H. E. Chicago ..... 3 000 0011x-5 13 4 Washington ..... 2 000 00000-2 4 1

At Cleveland— R. H. E. Cleveland ..... 2 061 10001-5 12 2 Philadelphia ..... 1 000 03000-4 9 1

## Southern League.

Birmingham 2; Atlanta 7. Second Game—Birmingham 3; Atlanta 5. Nashville 10; Chattanooga 11. Second Game—Nashville 6; Chattanooga 9. New Orleans—Memphis, no game. Shreveport 2; Little Rock 11.

## Eastern League.

Toronto 5; Providence 1. Newark 8; Buffalo 7. Rochester 5; Jersey City 4. Second Game—Rochester 3; Jersey City 0. Montreal 4; Worcester 1.

## Fears His Son is Lost.

(Special to News and Observer.) Edenton, N. C., Aug. 6.—Much anxiety is felt by Mr. W. H. Leary for his son who, two weeks ago left here for Baltimore on board a vessel carrying melons. Young Leary was to telegraph when he reached Baltimore, but no word has come and fears of foul play or that his son has been drowned is felt by Mr. Leary.

## The Monitor Arkansas.

(By the Associated Press.) Newport News, Va., Aug. 6.—The United States Monitor Arkansas has arrived at the Barren Island trial course in Chesapeake Bay, where she will be given an official speed trial today. This completed she will then go to sea and be put through a series of tests to determine her general seaworthiness.

## STORM AT HIGH POINT.

**Chimneys Blown Down, Trees Uprooted and Other Heavy Damage Wrought.**

(Special to the News and Observer.) High Point, N. C., Aug. 6.—A terrific wind storm passed over High Point today at 2:30 p. m., doing considerable damage at some of the factories and uprooting trees in different parts of the city. The large smoke stack at Snow Lumber Co.'s plant was blown down, demolishing a shed near by and causing the factory to close down on account of fire going out on the yard. A large smoke stack at one of the Globe Home Co.'s plants was disarranged. The chimneys at Mr. I. K. Grimes' residence were blown down. The number of trees uprooted over town and the outhouses and fencing torn down cannot be estimated as damage is reported on every street.

The storm struck the town suddenly. The wind was followed by a heavy rain. A storm is an unusual thing here. News has been received here of the death of Mr. Thos. Allen Blair, a prominent friend, at his home near this place. Death was due to a complication of diseases. The deceased was 76 years old. He was a brother of "Aunt Cynthia" Burns (deceased), of this place, and father of Mrs. Will R. Richardson, who lives near here. The funeral will occur at Springfield meeting house tomorrow. This makes the second death of prominent friends in the past week, the other being Mr. J. G. Anderson.

Word has been received from the sick bed of little Blanche Pickett, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Pickett, of this place, who is extremely ill at White Sulphur Springs, saying that she is very little if any better. A telephone message from Jamestown says that the storm this afternoon tore a good portion of the roof off Oakdale Cotton Factory and otherwise damaged property around the mill.

## THE STRIKE CALLED OFF.

**Textile Union Orders Augusta Cotton Mill Employees Back to Work.**

(By the Associated Press.) Fall River, Mass., Aug. 6.—At a meeting of the national council of the United Textile Workers of America, held here this afternoon, it was voted to call off the strike of the cotton operatives at Augusta, Ga. The strikers are directed to return to work.

## THE KING IN LONDON

**Edward Returns to the Capital Amid the Rejoicing of His People**

(By the Associated Press.) London, Aug. 6.—The royal yacht Victoria and Albert, with King Edward on board, left Cowes at 1:30 this afternoon, for Portsmouth. The harbor station at Portsmouth was reached shortly after 2 o'clock. A special train to convey His Majesty to London awaited his arrival at Portsmouth.

The royal yacht bearing the King was moored alongside the dock yard jetty at Portsmouth. Two Japanese warships fired salutes and were followed by all the commissioned ships in the harbor. The King was officially received at the landing place by Admiral Sir Charles Frederick Hotham and General Sir Baker Creed Russell. A guard of honor was mounted on the dock yard jetty. The King entered the royal special after the exchange of a few words with the officials, gathered on the platform. The departure from Portsmouth was made at 3:40, and the train which was preceded by a pilot engine, reached Victoria station at 5:30 p. m. The Victoria station was decorated in honor of His Majesty's home-coming. Free access was allowed the public, except to the platform reserved for His Majesty.

## JESSIE WALL LUCATED.

**Randolph County Girl Who Disappeared Said to be in Florida**

(Special to News and Observer.) Asheville, N. C., Aug. 6.—It is stated by relatives of Miss Jessie Wall, the beautiful Randolph county girl who disappeared from her home about the middle of June, that she is now in a town in Florida, though they do not name the place. She left a note when she went off, saying that she would not injure or disgrace herself, and her people say that they have proof that she has kept her promise.

The young woman left her home in everyday apparel, and had gone presumably, to look after the cows. She was gone so long that alarm was felt and when search was made her apron was found at the spring, and a note in her room saying she was going away to make her own living. She had not appeared unhappy or dissatisfied and her parents were greatly alarmed and made diligent search, but without success. They seem satisfied now that she is safe.

## IN THE HANDS OF THE JURY.

**The Pulliam Case Arouses Much Interest. Mistrial Expected.**

(Special to News and Observer.) Asheville, N. C., August 6.—Argument in the Pulliam embezzlement case was concluded this afternoon and the case given the jury at 4 o'clock, at which time adjournment was taken until the morning. There will therefore be no verdict tonight. The speakers today were Judge Chas. A. Moore, for the defense, and District Attorney Holton for prosecution. Much interest was manifested. A mistrial is expected as it is generally believed the jury will not agree.

## SEVEN THOUSAND NEGROES ATTEND

**And Hear Wholesome Advice by Bishop Gaines.**

**THE WHITES WILL AID US**

**Better Class Want Us Wise, Intelligent and Thrifty.**

**GOVERNOR CANTLER MAKES AN ADDRESS**

**The Negro Young People's Christian and Educational Congress the Largest Convention of Colored People Ever Held in the U-ion.**

(By the Associated Press.)

Atlanta, Ga., August 6.—Fully seven thousand negroes gathered this afternoon in the agricultural building at Piedmont Park for the opening session of Negro Young People's Christian and Educational Congress, which is the most extensive convention of colored people ever held in the United States. Bishop Wesley J. Gaines, of the A. M. E. church, is the president of the conference and his address was the feature of the opening day. Addresses of welcome were made by Governor Cantler, of Georgia, and Mayor Mims, of Atlanta, and responded to by Prof. J. G. Garland Penn, of Atlanta; Rev. Dr. E. D. Isaac, of Nashville; Rev. Dr. W. J. Jones, of Charlotte, N. C.; Rev. Dr. W. H. Weaver, of Pittsburg, Pa., and Rev. W. B. Arnett, Jr., of Springfield, Ohio.

The greetings of the Methodist Episcopal Church was extended by Bishop John M. Walden, of Cincinnati. The address of Bishop Gaines was in part as follows:

"The race question will adjust itself naturally under such conditions, for God has ordained that a good and wise people will prosper anywhere and everywhere. Let respectability, intelligence and Christian character clothe a man, despite his race and despite his color. No opposition will prevent his progress, happiness and prosperity."

"I believe that the better class of white people in this country are anxious to see the negro become a wise, intelligent and thrifty citizen. Many of them are helping forward his education by their money and influence. We would be lacking in gratitude to the white man, both of the North and the South, did we not gratefully acknowledge their philanthropic gifts to the cause of negro education. The white people are not our enemies, and though often the worst elements of our race bring shame upon us, they are wise and generous enough to discount those of us who are honestly trying to make good citizens. In this movement we will have the hearty endorsement of the better class of white people of this country, and the negro, who has intelligence and character, has nothing to fear from this class who wish him to better his condition. They furnish no barrier to his industrial betterment, but will gladly open to him avenues of employment and useful labor. "When the negro shall have justified his position by thus fitting himself, both in character and intelligence, for the best citizenship, his rights before the law will be more sacredly regarded and all complaints of injustice, now sometimes unfortunately too well founded, will be at an end."

Tonight's session was devoted to Sunday schools and young people's societies. Addresses were delivered by Rev. J. A. Whitted, D. D., Raleigh, N. C.; Rev. J. S. Caldwell, D. D., Philadelphia; Rev. E. D. Isaac, D. D., Nashville; Bishop Isaac W. Joyce, Minneapolis; Rev. W. B. Johnson, D. D., Montgomery, Ala.; Rev. G. W. Dickett, D. D., Hopkinsville, Ky., and Rev. W. D. Chappell, D. D., Nashville.

## A RAY OF HOPE.

**Judge Eynum is Half Conscious, Governor Avcock Calls.**

(Special to the News and Observer.) Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 6.—At 8 o'clock tonight Judge Eynum rallied from a stupor and responded to nourishment and stimulants. Governor Avcock called and when told that he was there to see him the judge repeated the word "Governor" twice. He seems to be semi-conscious at 10 o'clock and suffering great pain. The physicians say there is a slight ray of hope, since he had been supposed to be dying since six this morning.

## Seven Year Old Murderer.

(By the Associated Press.) Lafollette, Tenn., Aug. 6.—In a dispute today Ira Bilton, aged seven, shot and instantly killed his five-year-old brother with a 22-calibre target gun, because he would not comply with his wishes.

## Female Baseballists.

(Special to News and Observer.) Washington, N. C., August 6.—A baseball team of women from Virginia, filling every position on the nine, is scheduled to play here with the Washington ball team tomorrow. A great deal of fun is anticipated.

## ...ING TO JUSTIFY BELIEF IN DAMNATION OF INFANTS

**Result of Dr. Stagg's Researches in the Teachings of John Calvin. Dr. Stagg's Book Nearly Complete.**

(Special to News and Observer.) Charlotte, N. C., August 6.—Dr. John W. Stagg, pastor of Second Presbyterian church, Charlotte, has nearly completed his book on infant damnation. It is said that Dr. Stagg's book will prove a bombshell in the theological world. It is understood that the work will attack the new school of Presbyterian theology as taught by Briggs and others. Dr. Stagg says his researches in the teachings of Calvin unearthed nothing to justify the belief in infant damnation.

## A LONG SUIT.

**Case of Tudor Against Wilson May Not be Concluded Before Saturday.**

Yesterday's session of Superior court was taken up entirely with the examination of witnesses in the case of R. S. Tudor and wife and others against James J. Wilson and wife. Many witnesses still remain to be examined, and it is not probable that the case will be concluded before tomorrow or Saturday. The suit is over the property of the late W. R. Gower, of Middle Creek, who made a deed to J. J. Wilson and his wife for some land, in consideration of which they were to take care of him as long as he lived. The plaintiffs, Gower's heirs, claim that he was not in a proper condition to make a contract at the time.

The plaintiffs are represented by Messrs. R. H. Battle, T. M. Argo and S. G. Ryan. For the defendants are Messrs. W. J. Poole and Busbee & Busbee.

Judge Winston has not yet signed the decree giving Willie House a divorce from Minnie House. He is considering the motion to set aside the verdict of the jury in this case.

## THE MANIACS SAFELY HOUSED.

**Ambrose Pearce and Mike Cosgrove Removed From Jail to Central Hospital.**

The two violent maniacs in Wake county jail, Ambrose Pearce and Mike Cosgrove, have been taken to the Central Hospital for the Insane. Room was made for them by an arrangement between Chairman A. H. Green, of the Board of County Commissioners, and Dr. McKee, superintendent of the asylum, by which two insane men who are not dangerous have been placed in the county home.

Pearce is the young white man whose case was mentioned some time ago. He has been in the jail here several weeks. Cosgrove is an Irishman, fifty years old, who has been employed at the Catholic orphanage as a laborer, and was placed in jail last Saturday. He is said to have had several previous attacks of insanity. Yesterday he became very violent, tore all the clothing from his body and kept up such a yelling and screaming that the proceedings in the court-room were somewhat disturbed.

up somewhat, but not at all seriously. Yesterday evening about 6:30 both men were taken in a carriage to the Central Hospital.

## Small Wreck at Courtland.

(Special to the News and Observer.) Suffolk, Va., Aug. 6.—There was a slight wreck at Courtland, Virginia, yesterday, caused by a misplaced switch. A Southern engine dashed into a car on the siding loaded with logs. The front of the engine was badly damaged and several passengers on the train severely shaken up and bruised. The fireman jumped and sustained an injury of one of his limbs.

## Arrested For Lynching Craven.

(By the Associated Press.) Leesburg, Va., Aug. 6.—Dr. Z. L. Weaver, of Sterling, Va., has been arrested charged with being implicated in the recent lynching of Charles Craven, near Leesburg. Others in custody are Scott Bradley, Edward Paxton, Harry Knipple and Samuel Grimes. The remaining five of the ten held by the coroner's jury have not yet been apprehended.

## Players Barred From Game.

(By the Associated Press.) New Orleans, Aug. 6.—The management of the New Orleans team today again refused admission to players Babb, Evans and St. Vrain of the Memphis team, against whom injunctions have been issued. Manager Powell claimed the game would go to New Orleans as Memphis had only eight men in the field.

## Another Escaped "Bird" Captured.

(By the Associated Press.) Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 6.—Emery Hunter, one of the sixteen convicts who effected their escape from the State prison Sunday night, was captured near here today by a farmer. One of the fugitives was re-taken yesterday.

## Meeting of Cotton Exchange.

(By the Associated Press.) Liverpool, Aug. 6.—A meeting of the Cotton Exchange will be held on Monday next to discuss the proposition to quote official values both in sixty-fourths of a penny and in decimals up to October, after which date the decimal system alone will be used.

Alvin, Tex., August 6.—Fire today destroyed two blocks of business houses, about fifteen firms losing all or their stock. Loss \$100,000.

Every man may have his price, but it isn't every man who has his market.