

THE LARGEST PAID SUBSCRIPTION OF ANY PAPER PUBLISHED IN EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA

BUTCHERS WIFE AND 5 CHILDREN

Crazed by Fear of Blindness Kills All But One

THEN HE COMMITTS SUICIDE

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A sixth child ran out of the house and told neighbors that his father was killing his mother. The father's pleas for help were not heeded immediately. Instead the police were summoned by telephone. When officers arrived they found the bodies lying in the room and furniture broken.

The children ranged in years from 5 to 16.

Pearl Hickert, aged 5, and Raymond Hickert, 7, died at 9:30 this morning from injuries inflicted last night by their father, Grant C. Hickert, making six lives the toll of his murderous fit of insanity. His son, Edwin, escaped from the father, who had struck him on the head with an axe, and will survive.

EASTER WEDDING AT HIGH NOON

REUSE—HOYT

Today at one o'clock was solemnized in old St. Peter's church, the wedding of Miss Mary Brickell Hoyt and Mr. Samuel Preston Reese. The stately edifice was decorated with logwood and ferns and palms, and the altar and chancel were lighted with cathedral tapers. Before the ceremony Miss Lillian Bonner recited musical selections on the organ and soon to the strains of Le-henry's march entered the bridal party in the following order.

First, the two little ribbon girls, cousins of the bride, Misses Marjorie Blount Hoyt and Margaret Hoyt Brown, in white lace dresses and pink ribbons. Next, the ushers, Messrs. Walter S. Wolfe, John D. Graham, Joe F. Taylor and James Bonner. Following them the bridesmaids and groomsmen entered alternately, Messrs. Mary Powell and Gertrude La Roche, Dr. A. C. Hoyt and Mr. Hoyt Moore; Misses Augusta Charles and Flora Cooper; Messrs. Wm. B. Harding and Edmund Harding. The brides were dressed in handsome gowns of Paris mullin and wore large black picture hats and black gloves, and carried baskets filled with butterflies and ferns. Next came the first dame of honor, Mrs. John D. Graham, wearing white voile and lace dress, with large white picture hat trimmed with black willow plumes, carrying bouquets of snow balls. Following came Mrs. Walter S. Wolfe, cousin of the bride, dressed in white voile and lace, with picture

hat of black and white, carrying snow balls also. Then came the maid of honor, Miss Belle Reese, sister of the groom, in handsome gown of Alice blue marquisette over muslin, trimmed with lace and ribbons, wearing black picture hat and carrying basket of lilies of the valley and ferns. Next the little flower girl, Miss Augusta Simmons Clark, in white lace and pink ribbons, carrying basket of lilies of the valley and ferns.

Immediately after her entered the bride leaning on the arm of her father, Mr. John E. Hoyt. Her gown was cream satin, cut princess in train, with surplice overdress of pearl marquisette trimmed with Duchess lace and embroidered with pearls. The long veil was bordered with exquisite point d'Alencon lace, an heirloom in the bride's family, and was caught with clusters of natural orange blossoms. She wore no jewels, and carried a white satin prayerbook with shower marker of ferns and lilies of the valley. The groom, accompanied by the best man, Mr. Hugh Brown, entered from the vestry and met the bride at the chancel steps. Rev. Nathaniel Harding performed the ceremony and after signing the register the bride and groom left the church to the sweet strains of "The Rose Tree."

A reception was held at the home of the bride on East Main street, where punch and cake were served. The gifts were beautiful and numerous.

The couple left on the Norfolk Southern train for a brief trip before journeying to their future home in Asheville. The groom is a native of Asheville and is engaged in the hardware business there.

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A SAD DEATH.

Infant Child of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Marsh Passed Away in Kingston.

Dr. J. M. Gallagher received a card this morning from Kingston, N. C., written by Mr. W. C. Marsh, formerly a resident of Washington, announcing the death of his little daughter, Francis. She passed away yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock. The funeral took place today in Kingston.

Mr. Marsh was at one time connected with the Washington Daily News in its jobbing department. The sympathy of the city goes out to the grief stricken parents in their great bereavement.

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FEDERALS ENTER AS REBELS LEAVE

The Insurrectos Silently Sneak Away

UNUSUAL PRECAUTIONS TAKEN

The Mexican Situation Holds the Attention of President and Cabinet. No Soldiers Will Enter Mexico Without the Consent of Congress. Grew—Problem is Acute.

Washington, April 18.—An attack on Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, is momentarily expected, according to a telegram from Thomas D. Edwards, United States consul there, received at the White House this afternoon. Mr. Edwards reports that he has asked Colonel Sharpe to keep the Americans from crossing the Rio Grande during the battle.

Later developments showed the rebel army to be badly disrupted. Its leaders gave up the fight and the men in the ranks appear to have fled in all directions of their own individual choosing.

Douglas, Ariz., April 18.—The rebels left Agua Prieta secretly during the early morning and the Federals moved in to occupy the city at dawn.

Agua Prieta, April 18.—(Via Douglas, Arizona.)—Following a night of desultory firing, great excitement prevails on both sides of the border in the expectancy of a clash between the Federals and rebel forces early today.

One hundred insurrectos formed the garrison in Agua Prieta, while just outside the city were fifteen hundred Federals.

It is claimed by the federals that Juan Cabral and Antonio Garcia's forces numbering 1,200 are nearby. Unusual precautions have been taken by the authorities of Douglas as a result of the correspondence that passed between President Taft and Governor Sloan yesterday.

In all probability the so called danger zone will be greatly expanded from the border and citizens urged to remain in places of safety while the firing is on.

Des Moines, Iowa, April 18.—The 6th cavalry, Lieutenant Colonel Charles O'Connor in command, will leave Fort Des Moines today for Douglas, Arizona. Although it was expected that the troops would be on their way by noon it appeared early today that it will be four o'clock before the final train leaves the city. The troops are going in three trains on the Rock Island.

Washington, April 18.—The Mexican situation, which is fast approaching a crisis in its international aspect, was the principal subject of consideration at today's Cabinet meeting.

With the declaration by the president and his advisers that no American soldier will cross the border line without the consent of Congress, the administration's next move is anxiously awaited, especially by members of Congress.

It seems almost certain that the problem soon will reach the halls of Congress. Interest of official Washington in the situation is keyed to the highest pitch and the border developments brought officials of the state and war departments to their desks early today. Every bit of information which has been received over night was rushed to the white

SURGEON IN CHARGE

Dr. A. E. Taylor Ordered to Goldsboro for Duty at Target Practice. Lieutenant Surgeon Dr. Armstrong Taylor of Second Detachment Hospital at Medical Corps, National Guard, of Belhaven, N. C., has been ordered by the Surgeon General to Goldsboro, N. C., April 25th as surgeon in charge of the team of the second regiment and coast artillery corps, during the target practice and competition to be held on the range at Goldsboro April 25-27 inclusive. This is quite an honor to our countryman.

house for the personal of the president.

The executive interest and concern over the entire matter is plainly evident in the fact that every telegram received by the department, whether official or unofficial immediately is laid before him.

After a conference with President Taft Chairman Cullom, of the senate committee on foreign relations, announced today that no meeting of his committee to consider the Mexican situation is contemplated at this time. According to Senator Cullom the president was quite optimistic today and apparently believed the situation at Douglas would improve. The senator said he could see no reason for intervention at this time.

GRAND OPERA SATURDAY NIGHT

A Rare Opportunity to Hear Vital Presentation of the Great Italian Masterpiece.

Oscar Hammerstein of New York is now under contract to refrain from presenting Grand Opera in America for a number of years and his magnificent Manhattan Opera House has been given over to Vanderville. At prices ranging from \$1 to \$20 per "sit", every seat in the vast Metropolitan Opera House has been bought in advance for every performance of the entire season. This means that the public and visitors are absolutely denied for a year at least, the only possible chance of hearing opera in the largest city in the United States.

Abroad, grand opera is subsidized by the government and within reach of all. In America it is a privilege to hear the works of the great masters—a privilege that rarely comes to the average workaday man or woman.

True, selections with piano accompaniment are given from time to time by concert quartets but these so to speak are only the heralds who announce the coming of the important event; the reproduction with its brilliant coloring and picturesque surroundings to please the eye, the music to delight the ear, and the action of the drama to quicken the pulse.

The English Grand Opera Company and Orchestra now touring the South offers as Pietro Mascagni "Cavalleria Rusticana" (Rustic Chivalry) at the school auditorium this coming Saturday night, the 22nd.

Returns to College. Mr. Millard McKel Jr., of the A. M. College Raleigh, N. C., who has been spending Easter with his parents left yesterday afternoon to resume his studies.

Well Remembered.

Mr. Frank T. Kintling who is well remembered here by reason of his Herald Square Opera Company appearing here several years ago in the city yesterday as the representative of the English Grand Opera Company that appears at the Public school auditorium next Saturday night.

REUNION WILL BE ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

Major General Carr Issues General Orders No. 43

AT LITTLE ROCK, MAY 16-17-18

The Army Tents Will be Furnished by the United States Government For the Gathering of the Men who Wore the Gray—Big Preparations Made at Little Rock.

General orders No. 43, issued from the headquarters of the North Carolina division, United Confederate Veterans, relative to the twenty-first annual reunion, were today made public by Major General Julian S. Carr, of Durham. There are as follows:

Durham, N. C., April 16, 1911.

Paragraph 1. The twenty-first annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans will be held at Little Rock, Arkansas, on the 16th, 17th and 18th of May, 1911, and the public spirited citizens of that city and state promise that it shall be the most enjoyable that has ever yet been held, and are preparing in every way possible for comfort and pleasure of all veterans who may attend. It is hoped that a large delegation will attend from this state and enable our good old state to be represented in a manner worthy of her glorious war record.

Par. 2. Army tents have been kindly loaned by the United States government and will form the camp in the city park, where will be lodged and fed free all veterans who cannot pay for their entertainment, but all such veterans must notify in advance Mr. B. L. Roberts, chairman of the encampment committee, to that accommodations may be reserved for them.

The railroad companies have given the usual low rate of 1 cent a mile for all persons who may attend the reunion. The exact rate from any station may be learned by inquiring of the local agent. The rate from Raleigh is \$19.90, and in proportion from other places.

Par. 3. All camps in arrears for their dues are earnestly urged to pay the same at once to Gen. W. E. McKel, 324 Common street, New Orleans, otherwise they will not be entitled to any vote or voice in the meetings at the reunion. This is a most important matter and should not be overlooked by any camp.

Par. 4. This division is fortunate in having as its sponsor for this reunion Mrs. Sidney P. Cooper, of Henderson, and Miss Julia Cooper as maid of honor.

They will have to deodorize the United States senate somehow.

AT THE GEM Theatre To-Night

WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH OUR OLD—(Biograph)

FOR HIS PAL—(Biograph)

THE JULIANS (Pathe.)

FORBES ORCHESTRA PLAYS FROM 7:30 TO 10:30 P. M.

SUNBEAM EXERCISES AT BAPTIST CHURCH

The Sunbeam Society of the First Baptist church will have their regular Home Mission exercises tonight. The following is the program:

Hymn 271, Gospel Hymns. Bible reading, Miss Edna Willis. Prayer, Mr. P. Q. Bryan. Hymn 224.

Recitation, "Jesus Needs you." Miss Ruth White.

Talk by a Sunbeam, Miss Johnnie Wright.

Recitation, "Unto Christ," Master Victor Sullivan.

"An Indian Legend," Miss Maggie Doughty.

Recitation, "No Hand too Small," Miss Louise Sullivan.

Reading, "Good Enough for a White Man," Miss Thelma Mayo.

Solo, Miss Cassie Martin.

"In the Front of Your Door," Miss Margaret Cozzens.

"Thaamuch," Miss Pattie Wilson.

"The Little Mission-Child," Miss Ruth Morgan.

Hymn 635.

"The Watch that Stopped," Master John Spain.

Talk on Home Missions by Mr. E. L. Dawson.

"Give What you Have" Miss Oriel Weeks.

Collection and Quartette.

Prayer for the Home Board and Sunbeam Work, Rev. J. A. Sullivan.

"A child's Thought of Jesus," Miss Cassie Martin.

Dialogue, "Aunt Polly Joins the Missionary Society," Misses Maggie Doughty, Mary Whitley, Ethel Weeks, Clinton Marsh, Lillian Flynn.

Hymn 724.

Dismissal.

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