

Benj. Ormond Cut to Death by Joshua Mills Sat. Night in Barber Shop

WOUNDED MAN DIED WASHINGTON HOSPITAL EARLY SUNDAY NIGHT

Mills Has Not as Yet Been Arrested. Difficulty Happened About Eleven O'clock. Affair Caused Considerable Excitement and Comment.

Ben Ormond, a white man who is employed on the farm of Mr. E. A. Daniel, was cut to death in the barber shop of Edmund Edwards, Saturday night between 10:30 and 11:00 o'clock by Joshua Mills. Ormond died as the result of his wounds at the Washington Hospital last night about 8 o'clock. Ormond was one of the worst cut-up men the surgeons state they have seen in years. The dead man received a gash on the throat from his ear down and another on the side of the face, splitting it open; his left side was cut to the hollow and his right arm nearly severed. He also received several other minor wounds, in all sixteen. The wound in the throat and on the arm was sufficient to have caused death. The affair has caused considerable excitement and comment and nothing else is being discussed on the streets today.

As to how the difficulty originated or as to what led up to the homicide is conflicting. There was a crowd of citizens in the barber shop at the time and as the affair happened so quickly it is hard to give the true facts. However, from what can be gathered, the circumstances are about as follows:

Ormond came to town Saturday and put his horse and buggy in the stable of Mills, on Respass street, for safe keeping until he called for it. Sometime during Saturday night Mills met Ormond and told him to take his old horse out of his stable as he wanted to shut up and go to his home. Ormond replied all right he would as his stables were no account anyway—that he was going to the barber shop and get a shave and would come back and get his horse. Ormond then went to the barber shop of Edwards and took a seat near the stove in the rear. Within a few minutes Mills entered the shop and as he entered some one spoke to him with the salutation Hello, Josh. Ormond, it is stated, said to Mills, you would not let me get my horse. Mills replied, what was that you said about my stables? Ormond answered and said, I don't know, I have said so many things about it. Before the bystanders realized what was going on Mills had pulled his knife or some other sharp instrument and began to inflict wounds described above, on the body of Ormond.

blood flowing from the face and neck of Ormond there was a stampede for the door. Chairs were overturned, glass broken and in the mad rush for the door in some way Mr. W. D. Woolard, a salesman for the firm of S. R. Fowle & Son, received a gash on his head. Whether he received the cut from the broken glass or by the knife Mills had in his hand Mr. Woolard is not able to state. Ormond, in his effort to get away from Mills, broke the glass entirely out of the front door.

It is said that when Mills struck Ormond with the knife Ormond struck at Mills but failed to reach him, then it was that Ormond received the serious wound on the arm which came near severing it.

Although there were a large number in the shop, it seems there was no effort made to separate the men—all seemed to have a desire to make their exit and exit they did. Mills received a flesh wound on the arm, which was afterwards dressed by Dr. Joshua Tayloe. Ormond left the shop and made as fast as could to the office of Dr. John G. Blount, but before reaching there he came near falling from loss of blood in front of the pool parlor of Singleton Wallace. Mr. Wallace aided him in getting to the drug store, followed by a crowd. Reaching the office of Dr. Blount he managed to get to a seat where he lost considerable blood. Every effort was made to secure a physician. The first to arrive was Dr. D. T. Tayloe, then Dr. Blount and finally Dr. Joshua Tayloe. They rendered what aid they could to the already dying man and about one o'clock he was carried to the Washington Hospital, where he passed away last night.

Ormond is a native of Green county and has been living in this county several years. He was about 40 years of age and was a widower. It is stated that both were drinking when the fight occurred. Mills hails from Chocowinity and is a son of Henry Mills. For years he has been conducting a livery stable in this city and has accumulated some property.

Up to the hour of going to press Mills had not been arrested. It is stated that he left town a short while after the difficulty Saturday night and kept in hiding until early last night, when it was reported he was seen to pass through the city riding at a rapid pace for parts unknown.

Confederate Soldier Carried Ball in Body for Forty Four Years

R. K. Privett, special representative of the Atlantic Coast Realty Company, who is here arranging a sale of the Hackney property, wears on his watch chain a charm which has a history.

The charm is the half of a minute ball which his father, J. A. Privett, of Wilson, carried in his body for 44 years. The ball is encased in a gold cup on the back of which is engraved the following: "Wounded August 21, 1864, with Company 'K,' 24th North Carolina Regiment near Petersburg with Ransom's Brigade. Extracted August 24, 1868." The ball, at least half of it, entered the right side of Privett in the battle and was extracted from his right leg. He did not know that the ball was in his

body until it came out. Mr. Privett died a short time ago and his son counts this curio as one of his proudest possessions. The ball is as large as a good size marble. It is a memento worth keeping.

PREACHES NEXT SUNDAY.

Rev. J. T. Gibbs, D. D., presiding elder of the Washington district, will preach at the First Methodist church next Sunday evening and the fourth and last quarterly conference for Washington station will be held in the Baraca room of the church on next Thursday evening at 8:00 o'clock. All the official members are urged to be present.

PRICES HAVE TAKEN A DROP ON our Women's Suits and Coats. Get your new suit or coat for Thanksgiving here and take advantage of the saving. J. K. Hoyt.

OUR FLOWER POTS HAVE come. We now have any size you want. E. K. Willis. 11-1816

COURT TERM CAME TO END SATURDAY

The November term of Beaufort County Superior Court adjourned Saturday afternoon for the term. His Honor Judge Bragaw made final disposition of the following cases before adjournment.

In the case of State vs. Cleveland Bright, charged with seduction, who was brought in guilty by the jury, the sentence of the court was that Bright pay a fine of \$200 and the cost. One hundred dollars of this fine goes to the mother of the girl. The defendant was required to give a bond of \$300, the condition of which he is to pay to the mother the sum of thirty dollars per year for a period of ten years.

In the case of State vs. W. M. Swanner for a violation of the city ordinance in obstructing the sidewalk which was appealed from the recorder's court, the jury failed to agree and the judge ordered a juror withdrawn and a mistrial had.

The next term of court will convene on Monday, December 15, and will be for the trial of civil causes. The term will be one week with His Honor Judge Stephen C. Bragaw presiding.

Buy Seals and Help Noble cause

The Associated Charities of this city has made arrangements with the Rex National Association to sell Red X stamps in Washington during the holidays. This society, of which Mr. E. R. Mixon is the efficient president, have interested all the different church societies in the sale of these seals and the societies will appoint committees to aid in their sale. The pastors of the respective churches, both white and colored, are to deliver a special sermon on tuberculosis, an outline of which has been carefully prepared by the National Rex X association.

Out of the sales of these stamps the Associated Charities will get 75 per cent and the Red Cross Association 25 per cent, which will go towards expenses. The percentage realized by the Associated Charities will be used in aiding tuberculosis patients in every way possible. President E. R. Mixon stated today that only Friday, the local organization assisted a man who appeared to be in the last stage of the disease, secure a place in the State hospital. The more stamps that are sold the better can those in need be helped. This is a cause that demands serious thought from every citizen and no one should for a moment hesitate to do what he can for his fellow suffering from this much dreaded disease. The Associated Charities is doing a noble work in this community and all should rally to its support. There are 20,000 seals here for sale.

HEARING ON FREIGHT RATES.

Washington, Nov. 24.—The 5 per cent increase in freight rates proposed by Eastern railroads and which formally suspended by the later State Commerce Commission until March 12, 1914, is scheduled for a hearing today. About 21,000 tariffs are affected by the order.

It is not expected that the commission will be able to dispose of the case before March 12, and the tariffs probably will have to be re-suspended prior to that date. Under the law, however, the commission may suspend a tariff in the first instance for only 120 days, the maximum of the commission's ability to suspend, without unanimous agreement among the carriers, being ten months.

Louisville D. Brandeis, of Boston, will represent the commission as counsel.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Long are visiting relatives and friends in Hyde county.

MEN OF NOTE WILL SPEAK HERE TONIGHT

Tonight at the School Auditorium there will be held an Educational Rally in the interest of the Beaufort county schools, Washington Public School System and the Washington Collegiate Institute. The exercises are billed to take place at 8 o'clock and every citizen of Washington has a cordial invitation to attend. A very interesting and entertaining program has been arranged and the Daily News feels sure those who are present will be amply repaid. Tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock the dedicatory exercises of the Washington Collegiate Institute initial building will take place at Washington Park. The address and dedicatory service will be conducted by Bishop Theodore S. Henderson, of Chattanooga, Tenn.

At the rally this evening such well known speakers as Congressman John H. Small, Dr. D. H. Hill, president of the A. & M. College, Raleigh, and Bishop Theo. S. Henderson will make addresses. In addition to the addresses there will be a fine musical program.

It behooves every citizen of this city to attend both the rally tonight and the dedicatory exercises tomorrow morning.

Dr. Hill and Bishop Henderson are both men of parts and in their sphere of life occupy an enviable niche. Congressman Small needs no introduction to a Washington audience.

It is to be hoped that a large number will be present. The establishment of the Washington Collegiate Institute in our midst means quite a step forward for higher education and when such noted men are to be our guests as Dr. Hill and Bishop Henderson they should be greeted by the entire city.

ANNIVERSARY OF FAMOUS BATTLE.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 24.—Today is the fiftieth anniversary of the Battle of Lookout Mountain. A great deal of romantic interest has been attached to the great contest because it was fought on the palisades of that eminence and is known in war history as "the battle above the clouds." This engagement was fought on November 24, 1863, between the Union forces under General Hooker, that came over from the Wauhatchie Valley, and a force that General Bragg had stationed on the eastern side of the mountain to guard the Tennessee river against the delivery of provisions to the beleaguered army of General Grant.

BIG CITY PLANNING EXHIBITION

New York, Nov. 24.—A great city planning exhibition opened here today in the Public Library Building, being the first show of the kind to be held in New York. The lesson which the board of estimate hopes to teach through the exhibition is the right and duty of a city to control its own "physical destiny."

THE LYRIC

EXCELLENT PROGRAM MOTION PICTURES.

The program at the Lyric today offers motion pictures exclusively and ones within the same circuit of mutual program that has all pleasing qualities and a great amusing feature.

For the last half of the week the Lyric offers vaudeville and motion pictures featuring the great musical act "The Stallings" champion musical artists of the south.

Today's program that will be found on the fourth page, has all indications of pleasing the most severe critic as they have been doing, and no doubt they will continue along this line, the admission prices first three days are 5c and 10c.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Methodist church met with Mrs. C. G. Morris this afternoon at 4 o'clock on West Second street.

NOTED ACTOR ON BOARDS FOR TONIGHT

After the problem plays that have been claiming the attention of the stagegoers lately, it will be a relief to see Norman Hackett in his refreshing, new, comedy drama, "A Double Deceiver," at the New Theatre tonight. Mr. Hackett's play tells a cheerful, thrilling, entertaining story, which has for its background the beautiful tropical Spanish setting of South America. It is embellished with special music, rich coloring and the fascinating atmosphere associated with that romantic country. Delightful comedy, punctuated by the action of the play throughout and in the role of "Ambrose R. Fitzgerald" Mr. Hackett has an opportunity to display his versatility for light comedy touches which reveals this talented actor's personality in a new and most attractive light. The play has been founded on one of O. Henry's famous stories by Donald Clive Stuart, who is on the faculty of Princeton University. It has been one of the substantial successes of the season and bids fair to precipitate an O. Henry vogue on the stage as its author has already been commissioned to adapt other O. Henry stories for dramatic purposes.

"A Double Deceiver" deals with the love affair of an American soldier of fortune and a South American beauty. It is garnished with the tinkling of guitars, the languor of soft Spanish eyes and the treachery of Latin American nature and is not a melodrama as its title might suggest. With the eyes of the world focused on Mexico, Panama and other sections of that country "A Double Deceiver" comes at a most opportune time, and may be said to be a faithful picture of Spanish America. Mr. Hackett will receive the support of an excellent company, including the well known actor Herbert Fortler, Ika Marie Dill, Blanch Seymour, Burton Robbins, Edward Sussdorf, Anna Berger Price, Carl Reed, Andrew Streng and Alice Morton. A liberal percentage of the receipts of the performance in this city will be donated to the O. Henry Memorial Fund by Mr. Hackett and Manager, Capheart of the New Theater.

BEAUFORT COUNTY BABY WINS THE FIRST PRIZE

Washington has always been noted for its wealth of fine babies, and one of its little citizens, Haughton Randolph, son of Mr. and Mrs. Justus F. Randolph, has just received an engraved certificate and check from the State Board of Health and the Woman's Home Companion, conferring upon him the honor of winning the first prize in Eastern North Carolina in the Better Babies Contest held at the State Fair, Oct. 21st.

HOW \$50 FURNISHES A \$200 FLAT.

New York, Nov. 24.—Some interesting information has been brought out in connection with the Salvation Army Congress which begins its business session today at Army headquarters as a result of the visit of General Bramball Booth to the United States. Major Myles Pickering, who has charge of the Brooklyn and Long Island work, has solved the problem of the high cost of house furnishing, evidently. The Army solicits gifts of furniture, old clothing, etc., and among the patrons of the organization are many persons of wealth. The gifts received are made over by men and women taken in by the Army, then sold to the poor at greatly reduced prices. The furnishing of a flat on the installment plan by a poor man is reduced from \$75 to \$40, with the difference that the same furniture bought at a second hand store would cost at least \$200, while new, it would be entirely out of the reach of those who purchase it in its renovated condition.

REV. J. H. CROSBY PREACHES.

Rev. John H. Crosby, rector of the Episcopal church at Aurora, N. C., filled the pulpit at St. Peter's Episcopal church, this city, last night and those present were delighted with his sermon. He is a speaker of magnetism and has a bright and promising future in his church.

JUDGE STEPHEN C. BRAGAW ANNOUNCES RESIGNATION TO GOVERNOR LOCKE CRAIG

Letter Mailed Yesterday. Has Been on the Bench Two Years. Future Plans Are Not Yet Known. Will be Known With Regret. Was an Honor to The Bench

His Honor, Judge Stephen C. Bragaw, has decided to resign his position as judge of the first judicial district. He mailed his letter of resignation to Governor Craig yesterday.

Judge Bragaw, says in his resignation, which is to take place on December 31st, that while his work on the bench has thus far benefited, rather than impaired his health yet that a continuation of the close confinement, day after day, will be prejudicial to him and that it is best for him to retire now, rather than undergo the risk of remaining longer in the work.

The news of this step on the part of Judge Bragaw will be known with regret, not only in his home town but throughout the state.

Judge Bragaw received his license to practice law from the North Carolina Supreme Court in 1892, and went to New Bern where he practiced for a year and a half, during that time occupying the position as city attorney. Leaving New Bern he went to the city of St. Louis where he remained several years, finally returning to his native town where from the very first he enjoyed a large and lucrative practice up to

the time that he was appointed by Governor Kitchin as judge of this judicial district to succeed Judge George W. Ward, who resigned. At the last general election Judge Bragaw was elected to his high office with practically no opposition and since that time has been presiding over the courts of North Carolina with ability and universal satisfaction to all litigants and the bar.

Judge Bragaw as yet has formulated no plans as to the future but it is to be hoped that he will decide to resume his law practice in Washington, where he is best known and most admired.

Since his administration on the bench and wherever he has gone over the state many encomiums of praise have been his both as a lawyer and as a high toned gentleman and he retires to private life carrying with him the very best wishes of the entire state for every success which he so richly deserves. Few men in North Carolina have worn the judicial ermine with more ability and fairness.

As to who will succeed Judge Bragaw on the bench at this writing cannot be surmised. There will no doubt be several candidates for the post.

Washington Public Schools to Have Thanksgiving Exercises Wednesday

To the Editor:

Kindly allow me space in your paper for the programs of the Thanksgiving exercises of the Washington Public Schools. Owing to the fact that our auditoriums will not seat the entire school, we are compelled to have the primary exercises at nine and those of the other grades at twelve.

We shall be glad to have all patrons and friends wish us at both hours. If they wish they are welcome to come at nine, then visit the classrooms until noon. All will be cordially welcomed by pupils and faculty.

The children have been asked to bring something to give to the poor of the city. I do not know the customs that has prevailed heretofore but we wish to impress upon the children what it means to give and the motives that should inspire the true spirit of giving, so the baskets will be delivered by the pupils in person under the supervision of the teachers who reside in town. If this is a departure from any former custom I hope those who have had charge of this heretofore will see the motive that prompts this plan.

Now if some of the ones who own automobiles will assist the teachers and children in delivering these baskets Wednesday afternoon will they kindly phone me at the office Tuesday? We shall appreciate any assistance the friends of the school

Singing at Sight.

I never really got it through my head so as to read musical notation in the ordinary, conventional, civilized way. The fact remains that if today one were suddenly to place before me the score of "Robin Hood," "Pimpernel" or "Fra Diavolo" I couldn't for the life of me tell whether a given note was A or G, or what key it was in. At the same time I could sing it correctly, or any unfamiliar piece of music, although I should prefer to hear it played over once on the piano so as to get started right on the tempo. The celebrated Mme. Rudersdorf, who was one of the finest dramatic and coloratura singers I ever knew, once said to me when I confided to her this peculiarity:

"Never mind; you are all right. That's the true method of singing at sight anyway. The best of them don't really know anything about music more than that—if they know as much."—Henry Clay Barnabee in National Magazine.

Mr. Hugh Smith, of Falkland, is in the city on business.

IS INDISPOSED.

The friends of Mr. W. S. Frizzle will regret to learn of his indisposition.

MRS. MARINA WOOLARD DIES IN GOLDSBORO

News has been received here announcing the death in the town of Goldsboro, N. C., of Mrs. Mariana Woolard. The deceased was between seventy and eighty years of age. For years she was a resident of Washington and held in the highest esteem. For the past ten or fifteen years she has been a resident of Goldsboro, living with her daughter, Mrs. Arment. The news of her going is to be deplored. The burial took place in Goldsboro. She was a consistent member of the M. E. church.

CIVIC CLUB TO MEET

There will be a meeting of the Civic Club at the rooms of the Public Library tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. As this is a very important meeting all the members are requested to be present.

COTTON MARKET.

Seed cotton, \$4.75.
Lint cotton, 12 3/4.
Cotton seed, \$29 per ton.