

SIDNA EDWARDS
CAPTURED

Sidna Edwards, worn and emaciated with a week's wandering, was arrested last Friday night while asleep in a hut a mile from his home. He was unarmed and made no resistance. He protests his innocence.

His brother, Westley Edwards, his uncle Sidna Allen and his cousins Claude and Friel Allen, all of whom are charged with complicity in the murder of the court officers at Hillsville are still in hiding.

Home Course in Road Making.

The Courier publishes for the first time this week in the Home Course in Road Making by Logan Walter Page of the Department of Good Roads of the United States government.

There are twelve of the articles as follows:

- I. The Office of Public Roads.
- II. The Advantages of Good Roads.
- III. Method of Financing Good Roads.
- IV. State Aid in Road Improvement.
- V. Basic Principles of Road Administration.
- VI. The Construction and Maintenance of Earth Roads.
- VII. Highway Culverts and Bridges.
- VIII. The Sand Clay Road.
- IX. The Gravel Road.
- X. The Macadam Road.
- XI. The Relation of Automobiles to Modern Highways.

The twelfth or final article is: Road Maintenance and Repair.

Road supervisors, overseers, teachers and pupils in school will find that a careful study of these articles will give a clear insight into the principles of building and maintaining the different roads.

Teachers will do well to have pupils in school to study these circles and recite lessons each week.

If it is desired we can send proofs of all twelve of the articles. Send stamp and we shall be glad to mail to anyone the proofs.

We have been looking for something of this kind for years. The twelve articles contain information which can be found nowhere else except where instruction is given by a good roads expert and civil engineer.

Death of Martha Penn

On Tuesday night at 8:30 Little Miss Martha Penn died at her home on Fayetteville street. She had been ill of measles for one week. She was the 8 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Penn.

The Sunday school and day school teachers as well as the many friends of little Miss Martha say she was one of the most unusual children they ever knew. Her pure, sweet character and life were beautiful.

The funeral services were held at the Presbyterian Church on Wednesday at 4:00 o'clock. Rev. Murphy Williams of Greensboro conducted the services.

The multitude of friends of the deceased and the family join The Courier in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved ones.

The floral offerings were many and beautiful, which attested to the popularity of the young lady, and the high esteem in which she was held.

Talc Mine Sold.

Messrs. D. A. McDonald and A. V. Tillman, the owners, have sold the talc mine and mineral interests in the 800 acre Goldston place on east side of Deep river in Moore county, to Mr. H. N. Bates, of Boston. A mill to grind the product of the mine will be erected at McConnell, the first station on the Randolph and Cumberland on this side of Hallston on the extension to Asheboro from Hallston to the junction point with what was formerly the D. & C., now the Raleigh, Charlotte and Southern.

Generous Gift

J. R. Mitchell a New York capitalist, who visits the Denton sporting club every winter, has given \$200 for the enlargement, extension of Piney Grove school, District No. 4, in concord township, and \$50 every year thereafter to help keep up the school.

Municipal Health Conditions.

The fundamental facts upon which the study of municipal health problems must be based are two: The relative death rate and the cause of death.

The Federal census of 1910 has just made public the death rate in American cities, but has not yet tabulated and published the average annual death rate from various diseases.

The figures published show the average annual death rate in the cities of the United States to be 16.1 per 100,000, while in the principal cities of North Carolina the figures are: For Raleigh, 27.9; Wilmington, 20.8; Winston, 20.3; Durham, 19.9; Asheville, 19.7; Greensboro, 19.0; and Charlotte, 17.7. Excepting the apparently abnormal figures for Raleigh, there is a striking parallel between the death rates of North Carolina cities and the percentage of their negro population. The larger the negro population, the greater the death rate.

Though many of the white people are not blameless, the tendency of the negro population to disregard sanitary practices and hygienic habits, aggravates the difficulty of maintaining satisfactory public health conditions in well recognized cities. Nevertheless, considering the favorable natural conditions which conduce to a high standard of public health obtaining in North Carolina, the death rates given above leaves little room for doubt as to the need of larger cities.

Be it said to their credit, however, that all are giving more and more consideration to public health problems, particularly in the prime factors of municipal sanitation, pure and wholesome water supplies and adequate sewage removal. But the chief deficiency which applies to all alike is failure to pay sufficient attention to the important matter of providing for the support of a properly sustained and effective health department as a function of the municipal government.

Immunity from disease in community life is no more to be expected as a matter of fact than that the burglar and the highwayman shall not threaten the life and property or that the fire brand shall not cause widespread destruction if left unguarded and uncontrolled.

No thinking man capable of holding public office will seriously argue that the material asset that is conserved by the police and fire departments of our cities is of greater value than the vital assets of the human factor in city growth and development. Yet now the prevalent disregard of this true relation of civic assets in municipal budgets is too many instances.

Is this because city politics loves too well a shining light and that public health activities carry no limelight attraction?

Modern knowledge, so plain that no intelligent observer can fail to see, demonstrates that the standard of health in community life is easily and directly controllable by intelligently directed means. No longer can ignorance excuse neglect of public health considerations in municipal life. If the government of our cities is to be conducted on a plane of modern intelligence, the public health must be recognized and provided for as of first importance. The traditional conception of governmental functions, when ignorance of the laws of health prevailed, must be abandoned, and set up in its place there must be a more rational coordination of official responsibilities with the first consideration given to the life and health of the people, to the conservation of the greatest of all natural resources, the public health.

Miss Ross Hostess

On Friday, March 23, Mrs. J. D. Ross was hostess to the Randolph.

The subject for the meeting was, Ireland. Mrs. W. A. Underwood read a very interesting paper entitled "In Shamrock Land." Mrs. W. H. Moring read a most instructive paper on "Irish Rural Life."

The home was decorated in Irish flags. The refreshments were green and white brick cream, oake, and green and white mints.

Favors were given in the shape of small Irish flags.

Mrs. Ross was a charming hostess and this meeting was one of the most attractive of the winter.

Franklinville Items

We had quite another rain storm Saturday and Sunday.

C. H. Julian and L. F. Pentrice attended quarterly conference at the M. E. Church at Rameur Monday morning.

Mrs. Lizzie Cox was in Greensboro two days last week.

Miss Nina Parks was called to her home near Paris' X Roads Saturday on account of the illness of her mother, but we are glad to state that her mother is improving and Miss Nina has returned to the city.

S. O. Elliott, of Marion, visited his mother, Mrs. Jane Elliott, one day last week.

Willie Foxworth, of Florence, S. C., has accepted a position as salesman for the store of the Badio Manufacturing Company.

Mrs. Hattie Stuart, who has been at Gulf for some time, is visiting relatives and friends here. She is preparing to move her property to Gulf where she expects to make her future home.

David Langley, of Siler City, has moved to this place and now occupies the Thomas Thomas residence on Academy street, and has opened up a grocery in the Thomas store building.

Ernest Thomas has moved into one of Dr. Fox's residences known as the Kivett building in the northeast suburbs of the city.

Mrs. Riley, of Siler City, has moved to the C. H. Trogon residence, and Adolphus Smith, of Siler City, has moved to the Denton residence near Moon's machine shop.

Prof. Johnson, of Greensboro, one of the finest lecturers in the State, will be with us Friday night, April 6th, and will deliver at the Academy some of his lectures which has made him famous throughout the whole country, and which are a real treat to anyone to hear. Every body is heartily welcome to attend and we are convinced it will be worth the small fee charged. The proceeds will be given to the Masonic and Eastern Star home that is being built at Greensboro to care for the aged and infirm of the order. Let all who want to enjoy themselves to the fullest extent, come and help forward the good work.

On Friday evening, March 22nd, the death angel again visited this village and removed from our midst another noble woman, Mrs. D. Dove, who has been in feeble health for the past few months, but had been able most of the time to look after her household duties. She deceased was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Buis, being 58 years, 11 months and 1 day old. The funeral was conducted at her residence Saturday evening by Rev. O. P. Ader and a large concourse of sorrowing friends. Her body was laid to rest in the M. E. Church cemetery. She leaves a husband, three sons, C. B. Dove, of High Point, T. B. and H. A. Dove, of this place, and two daughters, Mrs. H. T. Parks and Miss Kittie Dove and four brothers, Albert, of Fayetteville, M. G. James and W. S. Buis, of this place, beside many relatives and friends. Truly another good woman has left us and may the sorrowing ones, who have our deepest sympathy, be drawn by the memory of the life she lived, close to a loving Saviour's care, who can alone heal the broken hearts of all that put their trust in Him.

C. B. Dove and S. M. Buis attended the funeral of their mother and aunt, Mrs. D. Dove, Saturday evening.

Farmer Dots

Mrs. Caroline Jackson, a sister of Ivey Birkhead, died of congestion of the lungs last Friday morning. The funeral took place at Oak Grove church on Saturday. Mrs. Jackson had been an invalid for a number of years, living with her sister, Miss Ailiana Birkhead, who was formerly a teacher in the public schools of the county.

Rev. Joel B. Trogon on last Thursday underwent an operation for appendicitis, the work being done by Drs. Bulbar, Austin and Plaster. Mr. Trogon is doing well and his recovery seems to be assured. He moved to Farmer last December for the purpose of placing his children in school and that he might be in easier reach of his circuit. The Farmer people are glad to have so excellent a family in their midst.

L. S. Keene and wife made a flying trip to Greensboro last week.

Misses Mabel and Hester Stuart, accompanied by Misses Maude Lassiter and Louise Keene, visited home folks at Why No. Saturday and Sunday.

The phones are being put in on the line to the Lassiter section, and the Bell line will soon be completed also.

Miss Annie Nowby, of Mt. Gilead, is visiting relatives here.

High Point Route 3 Items

John Armstrong, manager of Farrough Kennels, went over to Cedar Island, Va., on business last week, returning Saturday.

Miss Mary Orest, of Vancouver, Canada, who with her mother and little brother, have been spending the winter with relatives in Randolph and Guilford counties, are visiting her aunt, Mrs. Marvin Keene, of this place.

Mr. Gibson Keene is real sick and we are sorry to note.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Marsh died yesterday and was buried Sunday at Fairfield.

Oak shade Graded School will close Wednesday, March 28th, with an entertainment. An excellent band is employed to furnish music and a nice time is expected.

Asheboro Route 1 Items

Owing to the bad weather last Friday Sunday Mrs. Milner Angel Cox did not fill her regular appointment at Bethel, but will preach next Sunday at 11 o'clock. Everybody is invited.

R. C. Craven has a fine horse which is very nice.

Miss Sessie Kinney visited near Randleman last week.

James Henry is very sick at this writing.

T. F. Pugh has purchased a new sawmill which is in operation.

Clarence McPherson, who has been working at Apex, is visiting home folks.

D. L. Smith and family, who have been living near Denton for some time, are expected back this week.

Brady-Moore.

On Friday March, 22nd Mr. Astor Brady and Miss Julia Moore, of Rameur were married at the home of Rev. T. E. White, who performed the ceremony.

The marriage was quite a surprise to even the intimate friends of the contracting parties.

The bride's home was in the western part of the state, but she has been teaching in the school at Rameur the past winter. Mr. Brady is the son of Mr. J. A. Brady a well known citizen of Rameur.

"Houn' Dawg Song"

Delivered into the early history of the Northwest claim they have in dubitable evidence that the "Houn' Dawg" song of the Ozarks was heard by Hernan Cortez, the conqueror of Mexico, when he reached the Oregon country on a plundering tour, 46 years after the discovery of the western continent, and it is therefore of Indian origin.

To Demonstrators and Agents in Virginia, North and South Carolina:

We appreciate that owing to the unusual winter, the work has been accomplished on the farms generally in your country, and, therefore, there is a great deal to be accomplished in a short time. For this reason we are fearful that our Demonstrators will become more or less discouraged and in their great anxiety to plant their crops in time will not give sufficient attention to the thorough preparation of their seed beds. We hold, and I think that you will agree with us upon reflection, that it is the wiser policy to get your crops in a little late on a thoroughly prepared seed bed than at an earlier date on a poorly prepared one. Doubtless you have heard it said that half of the cultivation of the crop should be done before the seed is put into the ground. We see no reason for discouragement or alarm, for, generally speaking, a late spring means a late fall. Nature provides for and takes care of us in this way. We sincerely hope that you will not forget the great importance of thoroughly preparing your seed beds. This Office is now preaching the gospel of thorough preparation. Won't you help us spread it?

Very truly yours,
W. W. Long, Field Agent.
L. E. Coble, County Agent.

Veteran Hotel Man Dead

George T. Leach, an old and well-known hotel man died in High Point Thursday. He lived in New York many years, and traveled for Francis B. Leggett & Co. He was once owner of the Bellevue Hotel and operated it until a few years ago.

Red Letter Day at Trinity.

Friday March, 26th will be a full day for Trinity.

Beginning at 10 o'clock a. m. and lasting till 10 p. m. Hon. C. H. Mebane of Raleigh; Dr. J. T. Borner, of High Point; County Supt. S. T. Lassiter of Asheboro are on the program for the forenoon. The speeches will be on educational questions.

At 12 o'clock a basket feast will be spread.

The afternoon program will begin at 1:30 o'clock. The principal feature of the afternoon will be a mass meeting. The proposition for an educational and agricultural Fair for the townships included in Trinity High School district will be presented and discussed.

At 8 o'clock p. m. a play entitled "Home Ties" will be presented by local talent. There are about eight characters in the play. This is a bright little play in four acts with enough comedy to keep you amused for days afterwards. This is given for the benefit of the Woman's Betterment Association. Admission Adults, 25c, children, 15c, Reserved Seats, 50c.

The Guilford Hotel at Greensboro has changed hands, Marion Cobb and his father Howell Cobb have turned over the hotel to parties representing the Zensendorf. Mr. J. Tom Mathews will leave the Zensendorf to take charge of the Guilford, White Birch Roseman who has been at the Guilford for years will go to the Zensendorf.

CRAVEN SAYS 'TAIN'T SO

Though, Like Next President, Might Be Pushed in by Friends

Bruce Craven, of Trinity, sends the News a correction with reference to the statement in this paper yesterday that he had admitted to friends his purpose to enter the race for the state senate from the senatorial district comprising Randolph and Montgomery counties. Mr. Craven says:

"The statement in the News this morning that I have determined to enter the race for the state senate from the Randolph-Montgomery district, is somewhat exaggerated, and I do not remember making any such statement to anyone, and, anyway, I have not reached any such determination.

"On the day in which I am alleged to have made the statement, I was not in Greensboro except for passing through, and the only political conversation I remember having about that time, was with the Hon. Henry Brenson Varner, to whom I always try not to say anything I really mean, and who has standing now with me a wager of \$50 of Underwood money against \$25 of my own, that Woodrow Wilson will not be nominated at the Baltimore convention.

"As to the state senate, it has been said that if Solomon had lived in this generation, one other thing which he would have advised as not undervaluing would be 'the way of the railroads with the state senate.' Being an anti-railroad man, and for other reasons, my name has been suggested in the connection. I am not even interested in it, but have said that I would accept it if the whole people rise in their majesty and force it on me like the nation has forced a third term on President on Mr. Roosevelt."—Greensboro News.

Randolph Young Man Elected President I. A. S. of M. & C.

As the returns of the election of the International Automobile Association of Mechanics and Chauffeurs, of the southern district, show that one of Randolph's young men is made its president.

Mr. Fred D. Hutchinson, of Raleigh, whose home is in the county of Randolph, and the village of Central Falls, his father being known as one of Randolph's most progressive leaders, and the present employed with the Worth Mill Co., as manager.

Mr. Fred D. Hutchinson is better known in this vicinity as the automan. And we think it sure to make the association a good as well as an interest-taking president.

And if Mr. Hutchinson will let the dare-devil driving, and race track alone we feel sure he will make a much longer member of us, the reason why we state this is he shows such aspiration as a record breaking driver, and seems to us that he has just the nerve it takes to make a dare devil driver, although we hope he has not got the nerve, for the last president of our association was killed at the wheel in a racing car.

With our best regards to our new president, and hope him a long as well as a happy.

U. D. C. Make Plans for May 10

The Daughters of the Confederacy held a business meeting March 21, in the school auditorium to plan for May 10, memorial day of Confederate veterans.

They decided to serve dinner to the old soldiers, and to decorate the graves of our soldiers on the occasion. The 10th of May comes on Friday, and the Daughters hope that every old soldier in the county will keep it in mind and be present.

Committees were chosen to look after the different features of the day as follows:

Speaker—Messdames H. B. Moffitt, chairman, W. C. Hamner, W. A. Underwood.

Reception—Messdames A. M. O. Windingham chairman, O. B. Masten, Jess M. Pitt, W. D. Steidman, Mrs. Hoke.

Refreshment—Messdames Elijah Moffitt chairman, Jess Bush, J. A. York, Jim Underwood, J. V. Hunter.

Program—Messdames Will Underwood chairman, H. B. Moffitt, J. D. Ross, H. B. Hart, Miss Lillian Bunch.

The daughters decided also at this meeting to help the soldiers' Home at Raleigh; ways and means to be agreed upon later.

ASHEBORO GRADED SCHOOL NOTES

The program has been announced as follows:

Friday night, April 25th, the children of the grammar grades will give a play entitled "Carnival of Industries." Some 200 children will appear in this play.

The following Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. Rev. T. J. Ogborn, of Greensboro, will preach the commencement sermon.

Tuesday night, April 30th, the graduating class will have its class exercises, followed by the literary address which will be delivered by Prof. E. K. Graham, dean of the University of North Carolina.

The last of the exercises comes Wednesday night when the high school department will give the play, "Scenes in a Village Postoffice," for the benefit of the school library. The public is of course invited to all these exercises.

The present graduating class numbers nineteen, six boys and thirteen girls. The class some time back elected the following officers: President, Byron Richardson; secretary, Beulah Laughlin; historian, Pearl Kivett; prophet, Eugenia McCain; poet, Lillie Parrish; essayist, Eunola Pressnell; orator, Arthur Garvin; statistician, Eula Glasgow.

The larger boys of school are becoming much interested in the approaching Field Day and Track Meet, which will be held in Asheboro Easter Monday. They expect to have to work hard to keep up with the representatives of Farmer, Trinity and Liberty high schools.

The ninth and tenth grades have selected representatives for a public inter-class debate to come off about Easter. The ninth grade will be represented by Will Hughes and Wade Cranford; the tenth grade by Arthur Garvin and Thad Lawless.

The English classes of the high school are looking forward to April 9th with much pleasure when Mr. Karl Janson will portray some of the characters of Shakespeare's plays.

The first three grades, the primary folks, will have "Mothers' Day" before this note goes to press. The little folks are looking forward to this time with much anticipation.

Our school was favored last week with the presence of the grand jury of Randolph Superior Court. We wish every grand jury would visit the school. The more visitors we have the better we are pleased.

Men Organized Sunday Night.

A representative Asheboro audience met in the school auditorium Sunday night to hear an address on the Men and Religion Forward Movement, a proposition which is taking strong hold of people in other places.

D. B. McCrary, acting as chairman, introduced A. W. McAlister, of Greensboro, the speaker of the evening.

Two speakers had been expected, but on account of the wetness on the railroads, and the consequent derangement of schedules, a congestion of mass meetings on this date taxed the supply of laymen speakers of Greensboro to the degree that we had only one.

Mr. McAlister outlined the Men and Religion Forward Movement as follows: It is a protest against the limitations which custom has placed upon Christian activity. Its object is to bring men and boys into the church and Sunday school, and to give them something to do.

The speaker said this movement was such a big thing that it was difficult to express it in one phrase or sentence; that the best expression of the idea he had heard was this: It is consecrated common sense; it abhors the false standards of a false life. It prefers to address men as men rather than as brothers—it believes laughter is as sacred as tears; that the church is not a cloister but a home, to teach men that it is better to be a noble man than an angel; that it is better to sing "Onward, Christian Soldiers," than "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere."

At the close of the address the following citizens made short speeches: Rev. S. T. Barbour, Rev. T. M. Johnson, Prof. O. V. Woolley, Elijah Moffitt, Ferree Ross, A. C. McAlister and Joe Ross.

An organization was effected so that delegates might be elected to the Greensboro convention to be held 15th and 16th of April.