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CORONER KIRK TO HOLD SECOND INQUEST! DEVELOPMENTS IN MURDER MYSTERY!

GOVERNOR KITCHIN OFFERS REWARD FOR MURDERER!

Chief Executive of North Carolina actively co-operating with local authorities. Incentive to good work.



THE murder of Myrtle Hawkins is a blot upon the fair name of North Carolina. Only the arrest and conviction of the criminal or criminals will remove the foul stain. The Governor of North Carolina offers a reward of \$250. The county commissioners will offer the same. The citizens and business men of Hendersonville may raise a thousand. What is the Hendersonville City Council going to do?

County authorities alive to seriousness of situation and determined to find in solution of famous mystery.

THE AFFIANCED HUSBAND OF DEAD GIRL ARRIVES.

Governor Kitchen offers reward. County commissioners will do same. Business men of town to raise large sum for purpose of detecting murderer.

THE LATEST EVIDENCE.

Miss Myrtle Hawkins was seen in company with a young man on Thursday. The name of this young man is withheld for the present. Arrests are expected soon.

Who murdered Myrtle Hawkins and why, will soon no longer be closed secrets.

Coroner William Reddin Kirk says he will hold another inquest over the remains of the murdered girl.

This second inquest will be held on Friday.

The remains of the murdered girl will necessarily be exhumed. The verdict of the second coroner's inquest under the intelligent direction of the county's most efficient coroner, will be more illuminating than the first verdict returned.

Anyone suspected of knowing anything of Miss Myrtle's whereabouts the last day she was seen.

With the mass of additional evidence, with trained men at work on

the case, and with the added incentive of heavy rewards, the child-killer, or child-killers, may not long hope to escape the awful retribution of outraged justice.

Additional evidence in possession of the police is enabling them to trace the movements of Miss Hawkins after she left the home of her parents on Thursday morning.

She was seen at different points during that day. It has been impossible, heretofore, to account for her movements at any time on Thursday after she left her Flat Rock home on that morning.

Mr. Hal Cooper, who was engaged to be married to Miss Myrtle, arrived here this morning. He was met at the depot by a member of the family and immediately taken to the home of the dead girl's bereaved parents.

He was perfectly willing to talk but disclaimed knowledge of any facts which might in the least help to clear up the mystery surrounding the strangest murder in North Carolina's history.

The public excitement is still at fever heat. It shows no sign of decreasing, and the murder is naturally almost the one subject of everyone's talk.

The Governor of North Carolina offers a reward of \$250 for the arrest

and conviction of the murderers. The county authorities have as yet taken no action. Unofficially, it is understood they will offer \$250 reward.

The business men and citizens of Hendersonville will raise a fund of probably not less than one thousand dollars to be used as a reward and possibly towards the necessary expenses of outside detectives.

These facts indicate the state of public feeling towards the criminals. With all the forces of the law now well organized and working together it is not believed that arrests in the case will be long delayed.

The authorities are now fully awake to the situation. Coroner William Reddin Kirk, Sheriff Blackwell, the city authorities, the governor of North Carolina are co-operating that the ends of justice may not be defeated and that the ruthless killers of a young girl may not escape their earned punishment.

The crime is a blot upon the fair name, not only of Henderson county, but upon the State.

That blot must be wiped out—and it most certainly will be.

It is now firmly established, beyond all argument, that Miss Myrtle was murdered, and the reason for that murder will be shown at the inquest Friday.

Also the method will be proved, and it is hoped, much more illuminating evidence thrown on the case.

With the suicide and the accidental drowning theories cast aside, now also is the theory of death in the woods, beginning to be discredited by those investigating the case.

The murder was undoubtedly committed in some house or in some barn not far from Lake Oseola.

Whether or not that house was deserted, or whether it was occupied by people having a guilty knowledge of the crime being committed underneath their roof are facts which will soon be known.

No stone, no bit of evidence, no matter apparently how insignificant, is being discarded as worthy of investigation, and to repeat, it is impossible for the guilty parties to escape.

Was to Have Married Miss Hawkins.

Mr. Hal Cooper, the murdered girl's affianced husband arrived in town this morning and was immediately taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hawkins in Flat Rock.

Mr. Cooper is connected with the Exum Furniture Company of Johnston City, and is most highly esteemed by his employers and a wide circle of friends there.

Mr. Cooper was not absent from Johnston city last week and knew nothing of the murder of Miss Hawkins until late Monday night.

He was completely upset by the tragedy and knew of no reason why Miss Hawkins should have destroyed herself. Of course, that theory has long been discarded.

Mr. Cooper was last in Hendersonville in June. To a Johnston City newspaper reporter Mr. Cooper's mother stated that she did not think her son and Miss Hawkins were engaged.

Hendersonville's Tragedy.

From The Spartanburg Herald.

Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Now Hendersonville comes forward with a tragedy surrounded with mystery, and promises to take the place of Chesterfield Courthouse as a date-line on the front pages of the daily papers. The body of Miss Myrtle Hawkins, a popular and attractive young lady of that town, has been found floating in Oseola lake, one of the beautiful bodies of water of that picturesque region. There is no explanation of the young woman's death, the coroner's jury having returned a verdict of "death by means unknown" leaves the mystery unsolved. Accounts of the tragedy sent out Sunday give little intimation of any clue that may be offering the authorities a basis for further investigation.

Certainly, if it is a case of foul play, every effort will be made by the North Carolina authorities to apprehend those who may be responsible for the girl's death. By reason of the young lady's wide acquaintance, the circumstances surrounding her death and the fame of Hendersonville where, during the last three months, thousands of persons from all parts of the country have spent their vacations, the tragedy will attract much interest.

Showing 'Em!

From Charlotte Observer. Gruesome and mysterious as it is, that Hendersonville tragedy losses none of its interest in the manner of its telling. The Observer's correspondent is showing them all how to handle a large and thrilling event that happens along.

Suggests Crops Case.

The Charlotte Observer says: "In its superficial aspects at least that shocking tragedy at Hendersonville suggests Elizabeth City's well-remembered Cropsey case."

FUTURE LOOKS GOOD

At no particular time in the history of the city has its future appeared so brightly. There are now many tremendous propositions passed the mere stage of planning. They are actually under construction. The Electric railway. New school house, good roads and many other things, to assure us that there is no lagging behind in the public spiritness of Hendersonville's citizens.

Indications are that this fall will bring more business to Hendersonville than ever before. The farmers have lost on some of their products but have more than gained it back on other products. Take for an example the cabbage crop this year was considerably off from recent years crop. The Irish potato crop is one of the best the county has ever known. The apples this year promise to bring the farmers of the county large returns. According to one of the best known farmers in the county there will be a fairly good crop of corn, and in some parts of the county far better than last year.

The recent dry spell no doubt shortened the crop in many ways.

JACKSONVILLE STOPS THEM

Jacksonville, Sept. 11.—After reading protests from 5,000 women, Mayor Jordan today stopped the exhibition of the Beattie murder trial, pictures at a local moving picture house. Protests were filed by several women's clubs.

SHORT LOCAL NOTES

Miss Adelle V. Woodall has returned from the northern markets where she has studied all the latest styles in millinery and will be with her sister, Miss M. E. Woodall, again this season.

Miss Alice Rawls of Lykesland, S. C., who has been visiting Mrs. A. E. Posey for the past three weeks returned to her home this morning. Miss Rawls made many friends while here who regret to learn of her departure.

The St Leger never fails to attract a crowd that is second only in point of numbers, for a flat-racing event to the Derby at Epsom Tomorrow's race will be the 136th contest for the great event named after a certain Colonel St Leger, who nearly a century and a half ago lived at Doncaster. It was he who suggested the race. It was in the early part of 1776 that "a sweepstakes of 25 guineas each for three-year-olds" was inaugurated. The distance was two miles, which was reduced in 1813 to 1 mile 6 furlongs and 133

Miss Ledbetter who is teaching school at Green River has gone to her home at Edneyville for two weeks vacation.

Mr. E. Cahn will return in a few days from Meridian, Miss., to enjoy a few more weeks at his lovely summer home. The family expect to remain until the end of October, so in love they are with Hendersonville's climate.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark E. Dabbs and their little son, have returned to their home in Meridian, Miss., after a delightful visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Cahn at their summer home on the Mount Hebron drive.

Mr. Hashall Osteen spent Tuesday in town.

Miss M. Griffin of Atlanta, Ga., who has been the efficient milliner for the past four seasons at Mrs. A. E. Posey's millinery establishment is expected to return to the city tomorrow with a carefully selected line of millinery for the coming season. We feel sure that Miss Griffin's many friends will be delighted to welcome her. Mrs. Posey will announce the date of her fall opening in the next few days.

A. C. Patterson, Prop., of the 5, 10 and 25c store left this morning for New York, accompanied by his wife. Mr. Patterson will attend the convention of the Association Southern 5 & 10c Stores, from which he will purchase a complete line of fall and holiday goods. Mr. Patterson and wife will make a tour of some of the North eastern cities, after which they will return by Virginia, where they visit Mrs. Patterson's parents.

W. D. Bryan of Taft S. C. who has been spending the summer in Hendersonville for the past few seasons with his family will return to his home Thursday. Mr. Bryan owns considerable property near the city limits of the city where he has a beautiful summer home. He intends to rent this place and next year to build another home nearer the city. Mr. Bryan is a man of means and believes firmly in the future growth of Hendersonville. In fact he says that he does not want to sell his property near the city limits as he thinks its value is rapidly increasing.

At The Palace.

There has never been a more humorous picture shown upon the curtains of the Palace theater than "The Return of Widow Pogsonia's husband." This picture has been produced in large cities and on all occasions has brought much laughter. For a half hour's pleasure tonight's program at the Palace will produce results. "Father and Son" will also be shown during which the celebrated orchestra will render one of the very latest selections of high class music.

It is confidently expected that the rewards offered for the arrest and conviction of Myrtle Hawkins' murderers will aggregate \$1500 and possibly reach a still larger sum.

Governor Kitchen has officially offered a reward of \$250.

The county commissioners will undoubtedly offer a similar amount.

Subscription lists now being circulated amongst the business men will raise possibly a thousand dollars.

Captain Bailey, for instance, the Southern Railway Company's very efficient representative here, says he will be one of twenty business men to subscribe \$50 each. He is down for his \$50.

The eagerness with which the lists are being signed, the names of the men to appear tomorrow, indicates faintly the state of public feeling towards the men, or the man and the woman, guilty of one of the most atrocious murders in the annals of the State.

Mr. E. S. Millsaps, who is connected with the United States Department of Agriculture as District manager of the Farm Demonstration work in Western North Carolina, and whose headquarters are at Statesville, N. C., was here yesterday in the interest of this work in Henderson county. Prof. Millsaps was much impressed with Henderson county and sees a great future for the county when her agricultural resources are developed.

The fact that each season there are thousands of tourists spending their money here gives the farmers, truckers, fruit growers and live stock men fine opportunities for money making not many other counties enjoy.

If the Farm Demonstration work is started in the county a practical farmer will be put in charge, whose business it will be to visit the farmers and give them practical information along all lines of agricultural betterment.

Mr. Millsaps asked that all progressive farmers who are interested in this work will write him at Statesville, N. C.

NO OTHER CANDIDATES.

Columbia, Sept. 12.—Ira B. Jones, chief justice of the supreme court, today announced his candidacy for the governorship of South Carolina, ship on January 9 and will immediately commence an active campaign for the office.

The Lancaster News, of Lancaster, the home of the chief justice, today received the following statement from Mr. Jones:

"The Lancaster News: 'You are authorized to state that I am a candidate in the primary next August for nomination as governor.'"

"IRA B. JONES, Lancaster, Sept. 12.—As already announced in the Herald, Chief Justice Jones yesterday sent his resignation to the governor.

That there will be no other candidates to enter the race is practically assured so far as can be learned in political circles in Columbia.

Diggers Employers' Liability.

Spring Lake, N. J., Sept. 13.—The entire sessions of this, the second day of the annual conference of Governors, were devoted to the discussion of employers' liability and workmen's compensation. The opening address this morning was delivered by Governor Eugene N. Foss of Massachusetts.

EXPERIMENTING WITH TOBACCO

Hon. A. Cannon, member of the State Board of Agriculture, has returned from an official trip to Reidsville, where the National and State departments of agriculture are carrying on extensive experiments in tobacco growing.

Mr. Cannon says it is the purpose of the department to prove that certain kinds of tobacco now grown exclusively in Maryland and Virginia may also be cultivated in North Carolina. It is an interesting fact, he says, that Maryland's product is sold almost entirely in France and Belgium, whose people this particular kind of tobacco seems to exactly suit.

There are twenty-five different varieties being grown on this farm near Reidsville, under the supervision of a tobacco expert. The state has leased the farm for five years.

There were 107 farmers at the meeting, which was attended by Commissioner Graham and five members of the board.