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## CHARLOTTE MOB LYNCHES NEGRO

Teak Man Who Shot Policeman Wilson  
From Cot in Hospital and Filled  
His Full of Bullets.

Charlotte, Aug. 26.—A mob of about thirty-five men broke through the doors of the Good Samaritan hospital this morning at 2:15 o'clock, dragged from his cot Joe McNeely, the wounded negro who shot Policeman L. L. Wilson last Friday, threw him out into the street and fired seven bullets into his body and fled without making sure of their victim. However, McNeely died from the wounds at 5 o'clock.

**Officers Overpowered.**  
Two officers, Everett E. Earnhardt and Tarleton, were on guard, but testify that they were overpowered by the mob. They state that they heard the crowd demand entrance and burst through the door, but their revolvers were taken from their hands before they could defend their prisoner. Judge Shaw, in telling the grand jury to investigate the case, seems to think that a determined resistance by one man would have been sufficient to have foiled the mob. He said that what the county needed was a sheriff like that of Spartanburg, and said that a pistol in the hands of two men not diligent as to their duty, were as harmless as a toy pistol in the hands of a child. The stairs are rather narrow and winding, and it is thought by many that had the mob met cocked pistols at the head of the staircase they would have left without the negro.

## He Chose Asheville Over all California (Asheville Citizen.)

Left to choose between Asheville and Southern California a place for his permanent home, H. R. Dole, of Pittsfield, Mass., selected the metropolis of the Land of the Sky, and has arrived here with his family. Mr. Dole takes charge of the local branch of the National Cash Register company, Vice Manager George, who has been transferred to the Chattanooga office. "I had read considerable advertising matter concerning Asheville and Western North Carolina and when given the opportunity to come here or go to California, I selected this place, and am well pleased," said Mr. Dole at the board of trade yesterday. "This shall be our permanent home."

Mr. Dole intimated that he would soon build a home here.

## WESTERN N. C. FARMERS IN ANNUAL CONVENTION

Interesting and Instructive Meeting  
of Agriculturists in Session at  
State's Capital.  
(Asheville Citizen.)

Many Western North Carolina farmers are in attendance upon the eleventh annual State Farmers' convention and roundup institute, which began its sessions at the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts at West Raleigh yesterday. The meeting will continue until tomorrow night and in connection with the gathering of the state's tillers of the soil, a housewife's convention is being held at the Raleigh high school building.

The program for this year's meeting of the residents of the rural districts is one of the most attractive which has ever been arranged, and it is expected that this year's convention will be an unusually successful one. Prominent speakers who are familiar with topics of interest to the farmers have been engaged to address those in attendance upon the gathering and practical demonstrations of various methods of farm work are being conducted.

## A BOX SUPPER

Given to Get Money for Public Library for Zirconia.

A box supper will be given at Cedar Springs school Tuesday, September 2, beginning at 8 o'clock.

The proceeds will go for the establishing of a library. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

The price of gasoline has gone up as well as the price of hay. This is where the auto has nothing on the horse.

Amateur gardeners should be informed that it is not necessary to plant string beans to the music of mandolins.

## ARBITRATION COMMITTEE MAKES EXHAUST REPORT AT MEETING OF G. H. CLUB

Controversy Between Hospital Directors and Committee for Greater Western North Carolina Association Fully Investigated—Another Committee to Settle Matter Appointed—Auto Meet and Endurance Run to Atlanta Postponed Until Next Year. Secretary Meyer Tenders Resignation as Officer of Club.

A special meeting of the Greater Hendersonville Club was held at the city hall on the evening of the 21st and was well attended. President Wilcox presided, the first important business was the hearing of the report of the committee appointed to investigate the merits of the controversy between the directors of the Patton Hospital and the committee from the Greater Western North Carolina Association. The report was voluminous and full and was listened to with the greatest attention. At the conclusion of the reading of the report there was a spirited discussion of the matter by several of the members. Mr. Wetmur, chairman of the committee, stated that it was the unanimous opinion of the members of the committee that an agreement had been entered into by the parties to the controversy for a division of the appropriation of \$1,000 made by the commissioners. Upon motion a committee was appointed to meet with the hospital directors and finally settle the matter. The committee named consists of R. N. Wilcox, K. G. Morris and F. A. Ewbank.

The auto meet which had been planned for the present season was postponed until next summer as was also the Hendersonville-Atlanta endurance run. The latter was postponed because of the condition of the Hendersonville-Greenville road which will be greatly improved before next season.

H. C. Meyer tendered his resignation as secretary because of personal and business duties. The resignation was received and will not be formally accepted until the next meeting. A committee was appointed to recommend a successor for Mr. Meyer. Hon. W. A. Smith suggested a vote of thanks to Mr. Meyer for his services to the club which was heartily concurred in by all present.

Following is the report of the committee on the money controversy matter:

"Your committee appointed to investigate the controversy between the members of the Hospital Association and the Greater Western North Carolina Association regarding the \$1,000 given to the Hospital Association finds as follows:

"Upon interviewing Mr. Smith of the Greater Western North Carolina Association, Mr. Smith made the following statement:

August 7, 1913.

To the Committee to whom was referred the question as to the rights involved, growing out of the contribution of Henderson county to the Hospital Association.

"At the time when the order was made by the county to contribute \$1,000 to the Hospital Association, (See Order), P. F. Patton, R. H. Staton and myself had learned through H. M. Roberts, Chairman of Committee to solicit funds for the Greater Western North Carolina Association, at Fletcher's that Curtis Bynum, as trustee of certain moneys was advised that he could list his trust funds either in Mecklenburg or in Hendersonville. These funds, if listed in Hendersonville would produce an annual tax to the county of \$1,000 or more, and he, Mr. Roberts asked if we could not get the county to contribute \$1,000 to the Greater Western North Carolina Association, if we would discover a fund that would produce an annual tax, etc.

"Mr. Patton, Mr. Staton and myself, with this proposition, went to the court house, when we got there we were called upon by a Committee of the Hospital Association, among them Mrs. Whitaker, Dr. Drafts and Dr. Williams to help them get a contribution for the Hospital. With this request they made a statement that if they wanted to ask the board for \$200.00, we held one or more conferences and Mr. Staton and myself presented the claims for the Greater Western North Carolina Association and spoke in favor of the Hospital Association. We were informed by the Board that they were advised that they could not, under the law, contribute directly to the Hospital Association. This was followed by a conference of the two committees in the Register's office. We all agreed that we would make an attack on the Board and if we got the fund, then we could divide. The Hospital seeing an opportunity to get \$500.00 instead of \$200.00 readily agreed to divide what we could get for them. Some writing was done and the matter was taken back to the board and after taking advice and

some deliberation, the board made the order now of record.

After this some question was raised by the trustees of the Hospital Association, several meetings and much talk followed and finally Dr. Williams secretary of the hospital association brought me a copy of the order made by the trustees, which I turned over to Mr. Patton.

Much has been said about what Mr. Bane chairman of the commissioners said to different parties. Mr. Bane has said to me invariably, and repeated to me yesterday that he was interested in the Hospital Association, and also in the Greater Western North Carolina Association, and that he wanted to act squarely within the law, as a member of the board, signed the order put on record and that he has said repeatedly and says now that if the Hospital comply with the condition in the order, it does not matter with him whether or not the Hospital Association keeps the money, or puts it in other channels. That he has at all times understood that the Greater Western North Carolina Association was interested in getting this money and expected to get a part of it, and that personally, he does not wish to do anything or say anything that would interfere with the parties carrying out their agreement in good faith.

"On Tuesday afternoon at 6 o'clock Mr. F. S. Wetmur and Mr. F. A. Ewbank (Mr. Jackson not being present) for your committee met with Mr. Brooks and Mrs. Whitaker and Mrs. Wilson and had a lengthy argument. The consensus of opinion of these three members of the Hospital Association was to the effect that they never asked for \$200.00 from the county commissioners, but that the original request was for \$500.00. They stated that Mr. Bane, chairman of the board of commissioners, had stated emphatically to them that the commissioners had no intention of any part of this fund going to the Greater Western North Carolina Association, and had they known of such an agreement would not have passed an order for the appropriation.

Mr. C. E. Brooks stated that he had a talk with Mr. Bane in regard to the matter, after hearing quite a bit of talk on the streets in regard to the controversy, (he was not at the original meeting and therefore did not know what the two committees had agreed upon) and that Mr. Bane had advised him to read the order, and then stated that if the ORDER READ that the Greater Western North Carolina Association was to have half of this appropriation, he would have the same revoked.

Mrs. Whitaker and Mrs. Wilson further stated that they had no knowledge of any agreement to divide this appropriation, if same was received, with the Greater Western North Carolina Association, and that they knew nothing of mixing the two claims, but that they were under the impression that the Hospital Association was to receive the total \$1,000.00.

Mrs. Wilson further stated that if they had depended on any effort made by the members of the Greater W. N. C. A. to secure this appropriation, said appropriation would never have been made, as they were never able to get any co-operation from the G. W. N. C. A.

Mrs. Wilson also stated that she had made investigation, and as far as she could find out that the discovery of additional taxes claimed by the G. W. N. C. A. had never been turned in.

Mr. Brooks stated that this was a mistake as he had knowledge that they had.

In a subsequent talk with Mr. Brooks he stated to our chairman that the matter was placed in a somewhat different light since having the conference and that very probably Mr. Bane in making the statement to him in regard to the matter meant that if the ORDER STATED that half of this fund was to go to the G. W. N. C. A., he probably meant that while it was not his intention to embody this in the order, yet he understood that the division would be made between these two committees between themselves.

Mrs. Whitaker and Mrs. Wilson stated that in their opinion, it should be left entirely to the Board of county commissioners to state just what was their intention in the matter, and that they would be willing to abide by their decision. Mrs. Wilson then repeated as well as she could remember a certain resolution made by the Hospital Association in Dr. Kirk's office, which resolution stated that if the county commissioners expected this money to be divided, and if same could be done legally, they would be willing that the money should be divided between the two Associations.

On Wednesday the chairman of your committee had a conference with Dr. Drafts of the Hospital Association, in which Dr. Drafts stated that it was his impression that, (while the matter of a definite sum was not clear in

## FLORIDA-SOUTH CAROLINA DAY CELEBRATED AT L. PARK YESTERDAY WAS BIG EVENT

Thousands Gather at Laurel Park Yesterday to Make Memorable Demonstration of Two Neighbor States. Fine Program Rendered at Casino by Representative Speakers and Local Talent—Greatest Celebration Since Organization of the State Societies—Future Events Will be of Great General Interest.

Yesterday was Florida-South Carolina Day and such a demonstration as the residents of these two grand old southern states made at Laurel Park in the afternoon has never been equalled since Hendersonville became their summer Mecca. All afternoon trolley cars, autos and carriages were taxed to their capacity the multitude to and from the park where the celebration was held. Thousands of Floridians and South Carolinians, frequenters of this resort, together with their friends joined in making the day memorable. It was a general congregating of the people of those states and many others who availed themselves of the occasion to visit the park and swell the vast throng. A program had been arranged by the associations of the two states and Georgia was invited to participate and was represented by many of her prominent sons and daughters. The Laurel Park brass

## Up Mt. Mitchell to Get Lecture Matter. (Asheville Citizen.)

For the purpose of securing material upon which to base a lecture upon the wonders of the Land of the Sky, Waldo Warland Stevens, of Washington, D. C., is here and will soon make a tramp to the top of Mt. Mitchell. Mr. Stevens will use the logging road up Clingman's Dome and mountain trails the balance of the way. He will probably travel alone. The lecture is to be illustrated and will be delivered before a literary society, composed of members of the Masonic orders in the nation's capital city.

Mr. Stevens came to Asheville first, two years ago and was so well pleased with his trip on a popular excursion that he induced several of his friends to come with him this year. A total of 110 Washington arrived here Sunday. Mr. Stevens thinks the Land of the Sky far exceeds the White mountains or any other section that he has ever visited.

## U. S. Wants Highway Press Agent.

Chicago, Aug. 25.—The United States wants a press agent to help boom the good roads movement, according to announcement of the local branch of the federal service commission today.

The position may be competed for by any male, but a trained newspaper man is preferred. The position will pay \$8 a day for each day employed.

## Jack Johnson Blacklisted.

London, Aug. 25.—Jack Johnson's music hall engagements in London were "postponed" today on account of the intense resentment displayed on all sides.

It is understood that the postponement will be made permanent later, as the licensing authorities have threatened to make more trouble if the engagement of the negro pugilist is not cancelled.

Johnson says that he is going to give the public music halls where he is billed a two-days' test to find out if the public want him to show. If they do he will fill his engagements.

his mind) whatever appropriation was secured from the county commissioners of Henderson county would be divided with the G. W. N. C. A. and if the matter came to a vote, he would certainly have to cast his vote in favor of dividing this fund. He thought that it was very unfortunate that this controversy should have arisen, and that it was bound to cause a great deal of friction, and he thought that the county commissioners should not avoid the issue but should define how this fund should be used. And, as above stated, if the matter was left to a vote, he would have to vote for a division of the fund. His opinion was, however, that this matter should be definitely decided by the commissioners who made the order, and who should have clearly stated just how they expected this fund to be used.

Mr. Bane says he knew nothing of any agreement between The Greater Hendersonville Club and The Hospital Association, but when the Hospital Association complies with the order issued by the county commissioners that he has nothing further to say in regard to any action that may be done by the Hospital association."

band was in attendance and furnished splendid music at the Casino where the celebration was held.

At shortly after 3 o'clock ceremony was commenced by a selection by the band. The program in its order was then rendered and was as follows:

PART ONE.  
Music, Selection. . . Laurel Park Band  
Address of Welcome, Rev. R. N. Wilcox  
Response for South Carolina. . .  
Hon. F. H. Hyatt, of Columbia, S. C.  
Music, Selected. . . . .

Hendersonville Male Quartette.  
Response for Florida. . . . . J. R. Hill.  
PART TWO.

Piccolo Solo, Sky Lark Polka. . . .  
Mr. Theo. Koster and Band  
Response for Georgia. . . . . W. A. Smith  
Music, Selected. . . . .

Hendersonville Male Quartette  
Brief Remarks Upon an Interest-  
ing Subject. . . . . Dr. J. E. Ennis  
Music, America. . . . .

Band, Quartette and Audience  
The weather was ideal for the celebration and the speakers were listened to attentively and heartily applauded at the close of their remarks. Altogether no occasion of the season has been more genuinely pleasant than was the celebration of Florida-South Carolina Day and it is safe to predict that future celebrations under the auspices of the same associations will become events of wide spread interest. Senator McLauren of South Carolina and Governor Park Trammell of Florida who were expected to be present to address the people were prevented from coming by important matters.

## Priest Figures Out Year of Christ's Death.

Rome, August 25.—Father Emanuel, of the Monte Cassini, has made an astronomical study, trying to establish the exact year of the death of Christ. He found his work on the words of Scripture, in which is stated that our Lord was put to death on a Friday, 14 Misan. According to the calculations of Father Emanuel only two years can be considered to answer these requirements, 30 and 33 A. D. This, however, for historical reason the year 33 seems to be out of the question. Father Emanuel concluded that Christ was killed in the year 30.

## HORSEBACK PARTIES ARE NOW POPULAR PAST TIME

One of the very fascinating pleasure outings afforded by this region is mountain climbing on horseback and this amusement has strongly appealed to the visitors to Hendersonville during the present season. Every day parties of from two to a dozen may be seen cantering through the dales or over the mountains of the neighborhood, enjoying the glorious climate and the picturesque scenery. As a result of this, attraction many visitors have brought their own saddle horses and the liverymen have provided their stables with saddle steeds to accommodate the wants of the public. A great diversity of country can be covered by these parties and the real beauties which lay hidden in isolated places discovered.

## RECORD BREAKING SEASON IN HENDERSONVILLE, P. O.

This has been the busiest season in the history of the Hendersonville post-office and the amount of mail, letter, newspaper and package which has been handled by Postmaster Jackson and his assistants is truly enormous. The city delivery has assisted some in lessening the great rush in the postoffice proper, but the increase in the volume of business has been so great that the force has been almost swamped at times. Notwithstanding the fact that the force has been inadequate to take care of the rush, the mails have been handled remarkably well and the number of "kicks" is smaller than might have been expected. Of course all of the members of the force have been overworked but they have stood by their posts faithfully and have merited the many compliments paid them by visitors for promptness and attentiveness. A letting up in the volume of business at the postoffice has become noticeable during the last few days and the clerks are looking forward longingly to the time when there will be an interval when they may take a rest.

## Annual Complimentary Hop Brilliant Social Affair.

The fifth annual hop given by the Laurel Park Estate complimentary to the visitors of Highland Lake, Kanuga Club and Hendersonville last evening at the park was a splendid success and was enjoyed by one of the largest crowds ever attended a social event at that popular resort. Dancing was of the course the chief feature and fine music was rendered by the band. The dance continued from ten until two.

## THAW BAFFLES U. S. ATTORNEYS

Keeps Big Array of Government Lawyers Guessing—May Prolong Legal Tangle for Indefinite Time.

Sherbrooke, Quebec, Aug. 26.—Harry K. Thaw's Canadian attorneys late today withdrew the writ of habeas corpus last week in his behalf, and the fugitive from Matteawan will not be arranged in the Superior court tomorrow morning as had been expected. The withdrawal of the writ may prolong the proceedings indefinitely.

Rumors had been bandied about all day that the writ might be withdrawn but it was not until this evening that the notice was filed with the clerk of the court. At the same time a telegram was sent to Judge Arthur Globsky, at Montreal, who granted the writ, that such was counsel's desire.

The next move in the Thaw case is now distinctly up to those desiring his deportation. Under the present commitment he might remain in the Sherbrooke jail indefinitely, electing to have a hearing before district magistrate or demanding a jury trial before the King's bench, criminal side, which does not sit until October. Briefly, Thaw's lawyers have decided to let him pace his cell, mean time perfecting plans to defeat attempts to put him across the Canadian border.

## Thaw's Attorneys Pleased.

Thaw's lawyers, headed by J. N. Greenshields, K. C., of Montreal, were greatly jubilant. They had conferred all afternoon before reaching a decision and were mightily pleased at the apparent enigma they have created for the opposition.

Thaw himself could not be seen, in view of a new rule of the sheriff barring interviewers, except when accompanied by one of Thaw's counsel but that he was consulted before any action was taken was attested by the fact that his signature, with that of his attorney of record, W. L. Shurtliff, was signed to the application. It was a mere formality with Thaw, though for the greater part of his day he spent in working out more details of his publicity campaign. His ambitions may be nipped to some extent by the curtailment of interviewers, but he can still send out statements.

## TO DIE OCTOBER 10 SAYS JUDGE TO FRANK

Slayer of Mary Phagan is Sentenced to Death by Judge Roan and Time Set is Near at Hand.

Atlanta Aug. 26.—Leo M. Frank was today sentenced to the gallows for the murder of Mary Phagan, Judge Roan fixing October 10 as the date for the execution.

Attorneys for the convicted factory superintendent, as once entered a motion for a new trial and October 4 was announced as the date for this hearing. This renders certain that Frank will not be hanged October 10, since, even if the motion should be overruled, it would require considerable time for the appeal to go through the higher courts.

After sentencing Frank, the court ordered that Newt Lee, negro night watchman of the factory, where Frank was superintendent, be set at liberty. Lee has been in custody since April. James Conley, the negro who confessed to having aided Frank dispose of Mary Phagan's body, is still in jail. It is expected that upon his indictment as an accessory, he will enter a plea of guilty and be given a term of less than three years in the penitentiary.

## MISS BESSIE AIKEN LEAVES.

Accepts Position of Assistant Superintendent Goldsboro Orphanage.

Miss Bessie Aiken, for the past seven years book keeper and cashier of the Clarke Hardware company, has resigned her position to accept the office of assistant superintendent of the Odd Fellow Orphanage at Goldsboro. This new position is quite an honor bestowed upon one of Hendersonville's young ladies. Miss Aiken has been president of the state Rebecca assembly for the past year.

Mrs. Sife Johnson formerly of this city has accepted the position of book-keeper at the Clarke hardware.

A London court is trying to decide what is a "sardine." Even the small fish get their day in court.