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CARTER, THE PARK PROMOTER, ARRESTED AND IN COUNTY JAIL.

Wanted in Philadelphia in \$10,000 Game; Midway Park Closed; Another Chapter in Mysterious Shooting.

"I'm going to run the Midway from right here where I am," said A. Arthur Carter, owner and promoter of the Midway Amusement park, who was taken into custody by Sheriff Drake at the instigation of Lieutenant Detective John L. Lynch of Philadelphia last Saturday night.

"Just as soon as I can get in touch with my bondsman and attorney up North," said Carter in the county jail to a newspaper man, "I'll get out of here for two or three days and run up there and arrange matters and come back, for I am going to run the Midway and own it and make my home right here in Hendersonville."

Lieutenant Lynch arrived Saturday afternoon and late at night Carter was placed in jail, the officer having on him papers charging Carter with being one of a party of three to defraud J. Ellis Hess, a sixty-five year old farmer near Philadelphia, of \$10,000 in a confidence game on May 28, 1914.

Detective Lynch says that the three men were under aggregate bonds of \$12,000 and that Carter's case has been called a number of times and that his bond was forfeited in December. Meanwhile, the officer says, Carter has passed under assumed names in Cuba, Florida, Louisville, Asheville and Hendersonville.

Carter Optimistic.

Carter was very optimistic and in a talkative mood Monday when seen by the newspaper man. He was confident of making arrangements whereby he would be able to affect his release in order that he might conduct his amusement park which opened on Friday night previous to his arrest on Saturday night. Some of the officers regard Carter's release as a remote possibility. Officer Lynch is not insisting upon extradition papers but wants to be sure that Carter will not be released when the local authorities are through with him.

When asked if he considered his arrest a "frame-up," Carter replied that he had nothing to say against anybody for everything would come out to the good.

Embarrassing Situation.

Since Carter's imprisonment things have become a little more embarrassing for him. He had hoped to keep his Midway running but the troupe that came in Monday morning is understood to have refused to make amusement for the Midway visitors without a guarantee deposit, therefore the park was dark on Monday night.

The grounds were opened Friday night with a vaudeville company makelots of fun and moving pictures free as a side attraction. The crowd was kept waiting until midnight, when John Gallagher of Cincinnati made two unsuccessful attempts at ballooning, resulting in being knocked into an unconscious condition when his parachute dropped him to the ground. The first attempt at a flight proved that the balloon was not sufficiently inflated with gas so it went up about sixty feet and returned to earth and the second attempt took the balloon away but the parachute was disconnected just as the aeronaut was jerked from the ground and the fall knocked him into unconscious state, from which he soon recovered.

Gambling and Shooting Cases.

Just low and when Carter will disentangle himself from the law is unknown. He is charged with being a party to a small gambling game recently and is under a \$50 bond. It will be recalled that it was at Carter's home that the mysterious shooting took place at night for which four persons are in the county jail, and that Carter is said to have shot Albert Thompson from his window after the latter had shot Ed Mills at the Carter residence.

Albert Thompson, Aiken, Mitchell, Criss Woodfin and S. G. Leonard are in the county jail awaiting a preliminary hearing when the condition of Ed Mills, who was seriously wounded in the stomach by a pistol shot, warrants his testifying in the case. The four persons in jail called at the Carter home and according to information at hand, started the trouble by firing on Mills, after which Carter is said to have fired at Thompson, from his window on the second floor.

Carter has given the officers considerable information about the case, which yet remains a mystery as to a motive for the shooting and Carter's friends are inclined to believe that the friends of the four alleged gunmen have busied themselves to dispose of Carter's presence by getting him out of the State, but Carter would not go to a newspaper man call this a "frame-up" except by innuendo.

Interesting Developments Expected.

The public has been expecting Carter to reveal some inside information as to a motive for the shooting and since he has been imprisoned there is uncertainty as to just what developments will take place.

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LEO M. FRANK TAKEN FROM PRISON AND LYNCHED.

Noted Georgia Prisoner, Brought 100 Miles and Hung to Tree Near Home of His Alleged Victim.

Milledgeville, Ga., Aug. 17.—Shortly before midnight last night an armed mob, variously estimated at between fifty and seventy-five men, overpowered the officials and guards at the prison farm here, where Leo Frank was serving a life term for the murder of little Mary Phagan, and secured Frank. After driving their prisoner through the country to a point three miles east of Marietta, the home of the victim, the mob hanged the captive to a tree overhanging the roadside. The body was left and was not cut down until shortly before 10 o'clock this morning.

Daylight had not dawned when the outskirts of Marietta were reached, and Frank by this time a trembling resemblance of the man who had so earnestly pleaded his case before a hostile mob in the Atlanta jury room, was roughly dragged from the machine wherein he had made his last journey, and told to prepare for death. Then for the first time Frank found tongue and declared that his captors were about to put to death an innocent man. "I did not kill Mary Phagan," Frank begged to be allowed time to send a message to his wife, but there was no mercy in the heart of any member of the mob that defied the state authorities, and had literally walked its way into a state institution where prisoners are supposed to be safe from mob violence.

Whether or not Frank made any plea for life, the mob was in no mood for mercy, and the noose was quickly thrown around the captive's neck. The other end of the rope was thrown across a limb of an oak that overhung the road leading into Marietta, and in less than five minutes thereafter Frank ceased to struggle. No shots were fired. The mob, satisfied with its work, departed as it had come—in automobiles.

There were practically no spectators, for the mob had guarded its plans well, and save for a few farmers astray at that hour, none witnessed the lawless execution of the prisoner whose case had attracted world-wide attention.

At 9 o'clock this morning the body had not been taken down.

FLORIDA DAY CELEBRATION ENJOYED AT LAUREL PARK.

The Laurel Park Pleasure club entertained the tourists and friends from Florida at the Casino on Tuesday, August 12 at 4 p. m. There was a very large and enthusiastic audience present. It proved to be one of the best meetings of the season.

The address of welcome was given by Mr. W. A. Smith. It was most fitting that Mr. Smith should have been chosen for this address for it was he who first discovered Laurel park and recognized its rare beauties and, with far-seeing eyes, its future possibilities. He welcomed us all to the pure air, pure water and pure food of Laurel park and while it cannot be truly said that he is responsible for either the air, water or food, it can truly be said that he has done almost everything else under the sun to make of it a heaven on earth,—and a debt of gratitude is due him from everyone who has ever had the privilege of spending even a few days here and from those who ever hope to come.

A very fine program was presented, consisting of a vocal solo by Miss Louise E. Davidson.

Vocal solo by Miss Fernandes.
Piano solo, Master C. Thompson.
Vocal solo, Miss Irene Traub.
Duet by Miss J. H. Wertz and Miss Nellie Kinard.

At the conclusion of the program for the afternoon the Florida State Association elected its officers for the ensuing year.

President, Mr. Giles Wilson.
Vice-President, Mr. Hudson.
Secretary and Treasurer, Miss L. M. Watts.

BY THE SECRETARY.

GEORGIANS TO BE ENTERTAINED AT LAUREL PARK ON AUG. 24.

On Tuesday, August 24, the Laurel Park Pleasure club will entertain the tourists and friends from Georgia at the Casino at 4 p. m. Everyone is invited to be present.

Mrs. W. P. Wilkins of St. Petersburg, Fla., who is to spend two months at Laurel park, will give a lecture on the war. Mrs. Wilkins was in France and Germany at the time the war broke out and is therefore, well fitted to speak on this subject. She gave this lecture last winter in St. Petersburg, and was obliged to repeat it by request. There will be other features of entertainment as well.

THE SEC'Y L. P. C.

Philadelphia officer Carter has been served with a warrant charging him with shooting with intent to kill but it is understood that the State will depend to a great extent upon his testimony.

Officer Lynch says he will remain in the city long enough for Carter to attempt release under habeas corpus if desired. Judge H. G. Ewart, representing Leonard, has applied to Judge Harding in Rutherfordton for a writ of habeas corpus and a hearing will be had one day next week.

HAS CITIZENSHIP A VALUE?

CITIZENSHIP has a definite value. This value cannot be computed in dollars and cents, but it is worth fighting for.

Citizenship grows out of communities. Were there no communities there would be no citizens. We would then be merely unprotected individuals—entirely at the mercy of all other individuals who might wish to destroy any weaker or less ferocious one.

By dwelling in communities we have many advantages. Some of us value and appreciate these advantages while others selfishly accept the advantages but refuse to do their share toward maintaining the community.

Laws have been enacted to compel us to pay taxes—used for the financial support of communities for our protection.

BUT THERE ARE NO LAWS WHICH COMPEL THE MEMBER OF ANY COMMUNITY TO SHOW APPRECIATION OF THE BENEFITS DERIVED FROM LIVING IN A COMMUNITY.

One of the benefits of living in a community is the opportunity furnished us to buy merchandise required for our comfort and indulgence, right here in our own town. This facility permits us to buy what we need when we need it. We can step into a store, lay down a dollar and buy a dollar's worth of goods. Perhaps we can get the goods without paying the dollar down in cash—that is, if we have the credit.

What a genuine benefit it is to be able to do this. In the olden days our forefathers were compelled to drive many miles to a store where the merchandise might be obtained. Large quantities were bought at a time because the trip to the store could not be made at frequent intervals.

As our citizens increased in numbers and gathered into communities, stores were established at the various centers of the increasing population until now we can buy, right at home, our necessities and luxuries.

That which we value we endeavor to protect. If we value the facility for purchasing goods at home we should protect it.

The best way to protect it is to make it possible for the storekeepers to continue to do business. If we do not help them to continue to do business here in our community the natural consequence will be for them to close up their stores and go out of business.

If we buy from our local storekeepers only such merchandise as we cannot buy conveniently elsewhere, we will soon discover that the stores will carry only such restricted lines of goods as are in demand by the people who live here.

Then we will find out that we are not much better off than our forefathers were. We must send away for such merchandise as we require. We must wait until the order has been received in the mail order house and filled in the due course of time by the employees of the concern we are patronizing.

There are many disadvantages in this method. We do not fully realize them now. But they will come home to us when conditions arrive which compel us to buy everything by mail—if such a time does come. However, if we look at the matter in the right light we will not permit such a contingency to arrive.

Why should we be deluded into sending our money away from home because of the fulsome and flattering descriptions in a mail order catalogue? Why should we prefer the questionable qualities in merchandise as exploited by a catalogue writer to the honest, dependable goods which we can see before us in our own local stores?

Do we save money by buying from the mail order houses? When the matter of freight and express charges have been figured out, when the question of delays, unsatisfactory shipments, breakage, damaged goods, etc., have been answered, where is the profit, if any?

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE LOCAL MERCHANT IS ALWAYS RESPONSIBLE FOR ANYTHING HE SELLS. The purchaser can examine any article for sale in the local store and buy only that which is satisfactory. It will be delivered without delay. If there is any imperfection it will be quickly remedied. If there is any shortage in the delivery it will be supplied at once. A personal call or a telephone message will arrange everything quickly.

And when it comes to prices you will always get full value for your money when dealing with the local storekeeper. He buys his merchandise in the market and he sells it at a profit to us. He asks only a modest profit and he is entitled to it. We should be perfectly willing to pay him a profit for his investment, for his labor and for his ability to save us time, trouble and money.

IF WE ARE NOT WILLING TO DO THIS, WE SHOULD BE HEARTILY ASHAMED OF OURSELVES. AND WE WOULD NOT BE ENTITLED TO THE ADVANTAGES AFFORDED BY HIS STORE.

SCENIC AUTO HIGHWAY TO BASE OF CHIMNEY ROCK IS PLANNED.

Doctor Morse Proposes to Build Scenic Road to Base of Rock and Make it far More Accessible.

Dr. L. B. Morse has given up the trolley and railroad line scheme to Chimney Rock, but has a better and less costly plan.

The opening of the road for automobile travel through the Chimney Rock and Bat Cave section has solved the problem and Dr. Morse proposes to build a scenic auto route to the base of the rock and from there have a donkey trail to the picturesque fall around the Wonderland trail.

Dr. Morse has been working on the plan for the past few months and has announced his purposes.

The Monroe Journal editor recently visited the Rock and he gives the views of Dr. Morse in the following: "The Journal is in possession of a bit of mountain news which Colonel Harris of The Charlotte Observer, who is a specialist on this line, has not

SOUTH CAROLINA AUTOMOBILES TO TOUR THE NEW HIGHWAY.

Will Endeavor to Establish Spartanburg as Logical Gateway to Mountains from Southern States.

Automobiles from upper South Carolina will be in Hendersonville on August 25 for the purpose of making an inspection tour of the new road from Spartanburg to Hendersonville and gathering information to establish facts showing that Spartanburg is the proper route to the mountains for South Carolinians, Georgians and Floridians.

Arrangements are being made to have automobilists from Columbia, Newberry, Union, Whitmire and Glenn Springs make the trip over the Howard Gap road from Spartanburg.

The presence of Governor Manning and Commissioner Watson has been promised and the automobilists are expecting to gather information to show that Spartanburg is the proper gateway to the mountains.

Road Supervisor P. F. Patton has a letter from Arch B. Calvert of Spartanburg, announcing the tour, and asking that the road in Henderson county be placed in excellent condition.

Arrangements will probably be made in Hendersonville for receiving the autoists and entertaining them and efforts will doubtless be made to widely advertise the event so as to bring a number of automobilists on the tour who will spend several days in Hendersonville.

Committee on Arrangements.

The following committee on arrangements has been selected: J. A. Brock, chairman; W. S. Miller, F. S. Wetmur.

THREE BUNCOMBES WOULD LIKE TO GO TO CONGRESS.

In talking with some well-informed politicians in Asheville last week we learned that the feeling is strong there against a Buncombe man entering the race for the Democratic nomination for congress next spring, though it was admitted that at least three sons of Buncombe would like to make a try for the place, says the Waynesville Courier. These are Mr. B. R. Williams, Mr. A. Hall Johnston and Mr. Zebulon Weaver. If the first two should decide to keep out it is more than probable that Mr. Weaver will also refrain from running, and in that case Mr. James W. Ferguson of Haywood would be practically unopposed for the nomination. The Courier believes that with him the party in the district would have little trouble to again defeat the opposition next year, for we believe that the Democrats of the district could heartily unite upon his candidacy. That the Democrats must unite, and let by-gones be forgotten, is absolutely necessary for success, and The Courier earnestly hopes that the party throughout the district will see the wisdom of uniting upon the leadership of the gifted son whom Haywood will offer as the standard-bearer.

SHOCKING THOUGHT.

A theory has been advanced by a French scientist that electric currents can be made to take the place of food in sustaining life to a considerable degree. Just imagine a fruit cake made of electric currents.—Ex.

MR. ST. JOHN SAYS FAIR SHOULD BE HELD IN MIDWAY.

Insists That Location and Buildings Are Satisfactory and That County Could Hold a Good Fair.

"The Midway park would be a most desirable place to hold a county fair," said Leon St. John.

Continuing on this interesting subject to which the people of Henderson county have given attention from year to year, Mr. St. John said: "We have always been handicapped for a suitable place, a satisfactory enclosure with proper buildings. If arrangements could be made to use the Midway park these seeming difficulties would be disposed of."

Commenting on the business side of a fair Mr. St. John said: "It would be a good business proposition. At that season of the year business is a little dull. It would bring the country people to the city in large numbers and great good would be accomplished."

Admitting that little time would be left for the farmers to prepare their products, Mr. St. John insisted that the county could make a respectable showing with its stock and farm products.

COUNTY PROPERTY ASSESSED AT \$4,674,253; NOT CORPORATIONS.

Not Counting Corporations a Gain of \$213,073 Is Made in County; Comparative Statistics Given.

County Assessor H. W. Allen has completed the work which his position requires and furnishes the Democrat tabulated figures, which show a fairly good increase in assessments over those of 1914.

Mr. Allen states that figures previously published didn't include the taxables of the colored people or those of home corporations, which are given herewith.

The report shows an increase in the assessments for all the townships except one, the increase in some being apparently out of proportion to that in others.

The corporation commission has not reported for the railroads, banks and a few other corporations, but the home corporations for 1914 (those listing here) are given at \$74,646 an (the assessments for these for 1915 are \$132,404.

The total value of property listed in the county, excepting all corporations, is given at \$4,674,253, representing a gain over last year of \$212,073. The increase in corporation values is expected to materially advance these figures.

The increase over the county makes quite a healthy showing.

The returns of the tax listers and assessors are as follows by townships, the 1914 assessments being given for comparison.

Blue Ridge.

1914, white \$254,155; colored \$806, total \$254,961. 1915, white \$265,889; colored, \$699, total \$266,579, making a gain of \$10,618.

Clear Creek.

1914, white \$143,375; colored \$2,957, total \$146,332. 1915, white \$143,485; colored \$3,242, total \$146,727, making a gain of \$395.

Crab Creek.

1914, white \$149,619; colored \$160, total \$149,779. 1915, white \$168,633, no colored, making a gain of \$18,854.

Edneyville.

1914, white \$230,181; colored \$6,200, total \$236,381. 1915, white \$237,180; colored \$6,075, total \$243,255, making a gain of \$6,874.

Green River.

1914, white \$161,568; colored \$500; total \$162,068. 1915, white \$179,998; colored \$500, total \$180,498, making a gain of \$18,430.

Hoopers Creek.

1914, white \$415,380; colored \$8,078, total \$423,458. 1915, white \$402,245; colored \$6,745, total \$408,990, making a loss of \$14,468, the loss said to be due to the falling off of notes and other valuable papers.

Mills River.

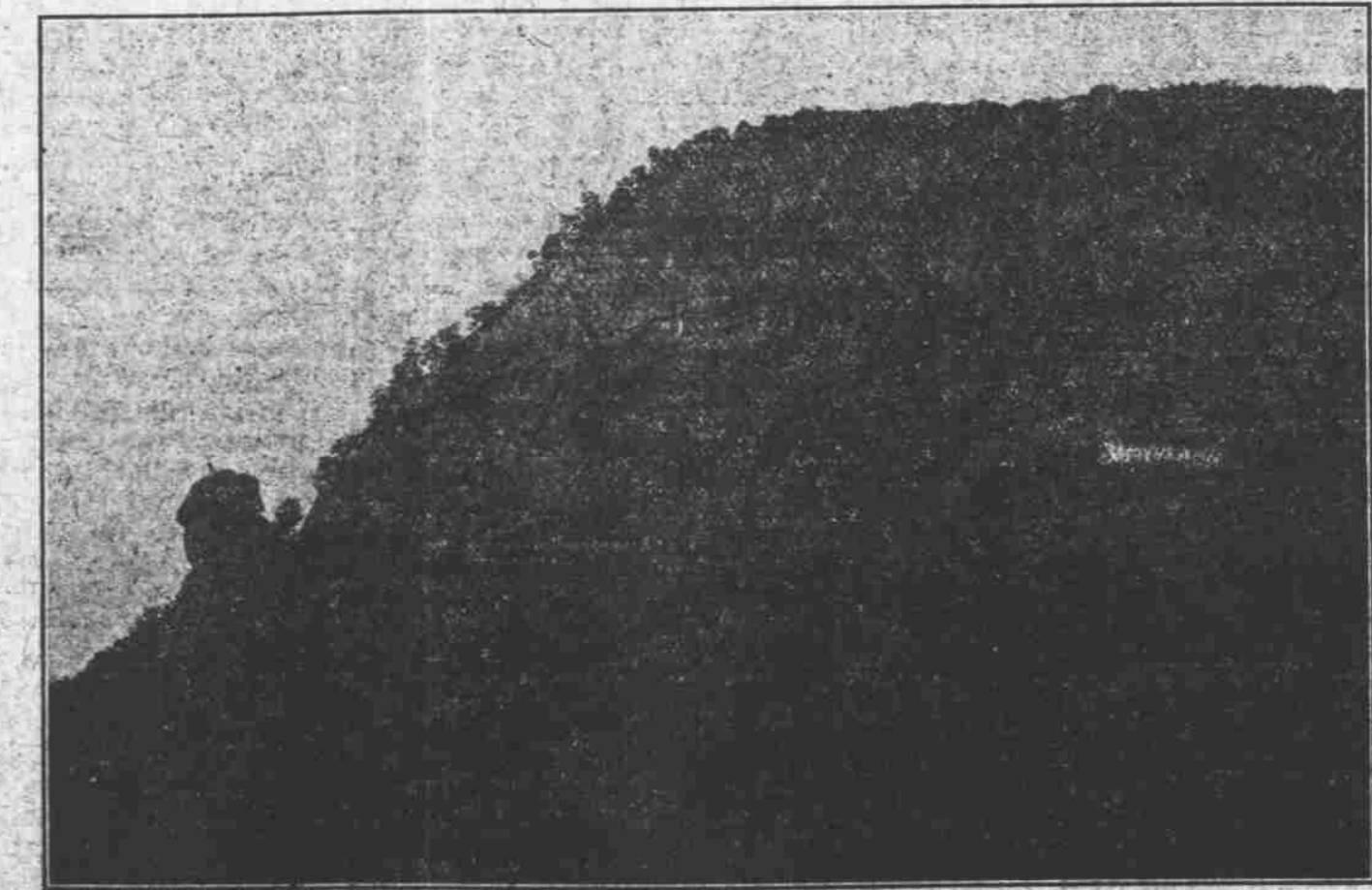
1914, white \$483,435; colored \$2,802, total \$486,237. 1915, white, \$535,781; colored \$2,379, total \$538,160, making gain of \$51,923.

Hendersonville.

1914, white \$2,556,102; colored \$45,862, total \$2,601,964. 1915, white, \$2,674,362; colored \$47,049, total \$2,721,411, making gain of \$119,447.

REX OPENS NEXT MONDAY.

Mr. L. T. Lester, manager of the Strand theatre, always of the alert to give the Hendersonville amusement lovers something new and up-to-date, has made arrangements to lease the Rex theatre for the balance of the season. The very latest musical comedies and motion pictures will be shown, specially catering to ladies and children. Mr. Lester's motto will be "satisfaction or money refunded" and "clean, moral and money entertainment at the smallest possible price." A stage is now being built and other improvements, which will make the Rex one of the most comfortable theatres in Hendersonville. The first performance will be 7 p. m. Monday, August 23rd. The attraction will be announced later.



CHIMNEY ROCK, TO THE BASE OF WHICH A SCENIC AUTOMOBILE HIGHWAY IS PROPOSED BY DR. L. B. MORSE.