

THE GOLD LEAF

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1907.

Pardon of the Whites.

Men Who Escaped With Too Light a Sentence for the Killing of Young Russell Sherrill in Rowan County About Three Years Ago, are Released from the Penitentiary by Pardon of Gov. Glenn.

Greenboro Industrial News.

Far be it from us to stand forth and cry for a man's blood for the pleasure of seeing him suffer, but at the same time an event has just occurred which we cannot but regard as most unfortunate to say the least.

We refer to the pardon granted by the Governor to the men who were convicted of the killing of Young Russell Sherrill, a majority of whom had been in the penitentiary for a term of six years in the penitentiary, of which term they had served a little less than two years.

An unusually signed petition for pardon was presented to the Governor, but he had been one of the counsel for the prosecution and declined to act, but submitted the matter to the Council of State saying that he would be governed by its decision.

A majority of the Council of State then met and after hearing argument on the part of the Governor, they decided to grant the pardon.

Having carefully considered the petitions, the letters, and the views of every one presented to use, together with the arguments of counsel on both sides in the case of the State against Thomas J. White and Chalmers L. White, we advise and recommend that they be pardoned on condition that they remain of good behavior.

Respectfully, (Signed) J. BRYAN GRIMES, (Signed) J. Y. JOYNER, (Signed) R. F. DIXON, Members of Council of State.

When this was received by the Governor, he immediately proceeded in doing so recited the facts, concluding with this: "In view of the decision and recommendation, without giving any opinion myself, I herewith grant the application of Thomas J. White and Chalmers L. White on condition that they remain of good behavior."

R. B. GLENN, Governor. Again we say that we do not question the motive of the Governor or of any member of the Council of State, but we assume and really believe that each and all of these gentlemen were acting from the best motives, but turning from the question of motives to the question of results, we have no hesitation in saying that we regard this pardon as a most unfortunate one, and one which we regret.

In the first place we do not believe in the sanctity of the "unwritten law," never have, and we feel safe in saying never will. Now the pardon if it means anything at all outside of the question of influence entirely apart from the merits of the case, means a recognition of the "unwritten law." There was no question raised of failing health on the part of the prisoners, no question of indigent families to be supported. It devolves itself simply into the bare proposition that if a man kills another under circumstances supposed to justify killing under the "unwritten" law, the Council of State of the great State of North Carolina thinks that something less than two years is a sufficient punishment.

Does it not encourage lawlessness throughout the State? But this is not all that figures in the White case. Had the two men of large physique and mature years shot the younger, weaker Sherrill and then arranged to answer for their act frankly admitted it and given the reason for it, still would we have said that they should be punished, but they would have loved thereby from us a certain degree of respect and sympathy. But they did nothing of the kind. They killed him it is true, but when put on trial they gave no such manly answer as might be supposed to come from one who invokes the "unwritten" law. Instead they adopted the miserable, sifting, pitiable, contemptible course of pleading self-defense—according to their own story two men fully armed were forced to kill an unarmed man who was just aroused from bed to prevent him from killing them—according to their own story they were not determined men intent on avenging their family honor, but simply men who killed another man in self-defense and asked the court to excuse them because it was necessary to do this killing to save themselves. When this plea was made the public first gasped in astonishment and then gave a contemptuous and incredulous snort. The jury apparently did likewise for they promptly returned a verdict of guilty.

And now for some reason, why we are not told, these two men are pardoned. The Governor leaves us in no doubt as to what he thinks about it. Why the Council of State thought otherwise we are not told by it. Did it think these men should never have been convicted and did it pardon them for that reason? Or did it think their sentence excessive and pardon them on that ground? Or did it think that their sentence was excessive and pardon them on that ground? Or did it think that their sentence was excessive and pardon them on that ground?

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Becomes First Vice-President.

Landers Sevier, Second Vice-President of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, Promoted to Position of First Vice-President as Successor of W. A. Garrett, Recently Elected President.

Atlanta Journal.

Landers Sevier, second vice president of the Seaboard Air Line Railway company, has been appointed vice president of the same road, succeeding President W. A. Garrett, who held that position until he was elected the head of the railroad.

Vice President Sevier will have charge of the traffic department of the road, the office of general manager having been separated from that of vice president when General Manager T. J. Whittelsey was placed in charge of the operating department of the road.

It is rumored that the office of second vice president will be abolished and the offices of freight traffic manager created instead. In such an event, it is said, that General Freight Agent C. R. Capps will be appointed general freight manager, while General Passenger Agent Charles B. Ryan will be named passenger traffic manager, both reporting to Vice President Sevier.

It has been reported that Assistant General Freight Agent H. L. Cheatham will be appointed second vice president if this office is not abolished. Mr. Cheatham has only recently returned to the Seaboard Air Line railroad, and it has been said that his appointment was in line for a high promotion.

Mr. Cheatham was associated with the Seaboard Air Line for a number of years, having had headquarters in Atlanta from 1896 as division freight agent, and also from 1898 to 1905 as assistant general freight agent. He left the Seaboard to accept the position of general manager of the Durham and Southern railroad.

SKETCH OF SEVIER. Mr. Sevier, the new vice president of the Seaboard Air Line railway, has been associated with that road for only a few months, having been named second vice president to succeed Edward F. Cost, soon after President Garrett was appointed vice president and general manager December 15, 1906. Mr. Sevier was general freight agent of the Alabama and Great Southern when he was given the position with the Seaboard Air Line.

Lieutenant Colonel Garrett of the Seaboard and President Finley, of the Southern railway, Vice President Sevier is a Mississippian. He and President Garrett are both natives of Canton, Miss. Mr. Sevier was born March 4, 1866, and received his education principally in private schools.

He entered the railway service in 1884 as a clerk with the New Orleans and Northwestern at New Orleans. He was appointed check clerk and cashier of the local office of the same road at Birmingham in 1891 and held this position until May, 1898. He was afterward made chief clerk to the division freight agent, then chief clerk to the general freight agent of the Alabama and Great Southern railroad.

He was named general freight agent of the same road a short time later, which he held until he was appointed second vice president of the Seaboard.

Doing Business Again. "When my friends thought I was about to take over the reins of the business of indigestion, nervousness and general debility," writes A. A. Chisholm, Treadwell, N. Y., "and when it looked as if there was no hope left, I was persuaded to try Electric Bitters, and I rejoice to say that they are curing me. I am now doing business again as of old, and am still gaining daily. Best tonic medicine. Guaranteed by Melville Druggist, draught, 50c."

Alfalfa. Wood's Crop Special. ADVANTAGE OF SPRING SOWING. Alfalfa can be sown either in the spring or fall. A satisfactory stand secured from spring seeding will get well set and give full crops the following year.

While late summer and fall seedlings are quite generally practiced, it is not advisable to put off until fall if conditions are right for spring sowing. Quite frequently hot dry weather will prevent the proper preparation of the ground in the late summer and fall and also cause the seed to fail to come up well. Good conditions can nearly always be secured for spring seeding and it is not wise to depend on fall seeding altogether provided proper preparation of the land can be made and reasonable treatment for seeding in the spring prevails.

PREPARATION AND SEEDING. To have best success with alfalfa, land should contain plenty of vegetable matter or else be liberally enriched with stable manure. The application of lime is also very beneficial. The land should be deeply plowed and have thorough preparation—harrowed and cross harrowed so as to make a fine firm seed bed. Sow liberally of seed from 20 to 30 pounds per acre and cover with a light harrow or brush harrow to an average of as near half an inch deep as possible.

The last of March is the best time for seeding in the spring in this section although alfalfa can be sown any time during March or up in the middle of April.

WHEN TO CUT ALFALFA. Spring sown alfalfa should be clipped just before ready to bloom, leaving the stubble set rather high. If the growth is not very heavy, the first cutting is left on the ground, if quite heavy it can be cured and used for hay. The field may be mowed again once or twice during the summer. Mowing is also the remedy given when the leaves turn yellow.

Honor Roll. Honor Roll of Dabney School for the month ending March 29, 1907. Alice Knackles, Charles Knackles, Lillian Wells, Sue Clarke, Rebecca Clarke, Sallie Weche, Fernal Fleming, Lillian Harris, Pearl Knott, Arthur Wells.

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Mr. Speaker Justice may want to be Attorney General of the State, but wanting a thing and getting it are two different things and Mr. Justice will find it out when he gets in the race.—Warrenton Record.

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HONOR ROLL. Honor Roll of Henderson Graded School for Week Ending Friday, March 29.

Sixth Grade.—Miss Ethel Plummer, teacher. Annie Shaw..... 99 Mary Atwood..... 97 Katie Bunn..... 97 Willie Clifton..... 96 Philip Harris..... 96 Wartley Hayes..... 95

Honor Roll of Bobbitt School. No. 1

Marvin Hight..... 20 Annie Kittell..... 20 Ethel Young..... 20 Clara Young..... 20 Thomas Evans..... 20 Ada Evans..... 20 Neva Rowland..... 20 Fannie Rowland..... 20

No. 2 Charlie Greet..... 19 Richard Hawkins..... 19 Norma Kearney..... 19 Minnie Johnson..... 19 Elmore Harris..... 16 Maurice Rodgers..... 18 Alice Rodgers..... 18 Carl Young..... 15

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Notice. I HAVE QUALIFIED AS ADMINISTRATOR of the estate of the late Dr. J. P. Sugg, before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Vance county, and this is to notify all persons holding claims against the said estate to present the same to me at Randolph, N. C., on or before the 6th day of March, 1908, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery thereof. Persons indebted for legal fees must make immediate settlement. This 6th March, 1907. MARY L. MOORE, Administratrix estate of Dr. J. P. Sugg, deceased. A. C. ZOLLOFFER, Attorney.

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An Unwise Statute.

A Correspondent Holds That the Man Who Introduced the Law Making Women of Ill-Repute Vagrants is Lopsided—Would Remove Habitations of Women, But Makes No Disposition of the Inmates—"An Act to Scatter Sin."

Correspondence Charlotte Observer.

There appeared in your issue of the 29th an interview with some one, in which the new law regarding the removal of houses of ill-repute, which is a case in court, has caused no small amount of discussion of the effects of the law, as well as wonderment that such a thing went on the statute books without protest. The author of that law was no doubt well meaning, but he was lopsided and saw only the one effect. He would remove the houses of ill-repute, but made no provision for the disposition of the inmates, but simply drives them out of the town and cities. For the law had not provided houses for them, where work can be had and a place of shelter.

I say the author of the law was lopsided and an extremist, his action on the ground that legislation can make morals and religion. It can't be done, and time will show the wisdom of the act.

As pointed out by the article referred to above, there is no opening for the unfortunate (that is the hardest word I have for them.) The women of America have long since decreed that no fallen woman can live in their homes, and that decree is law until more of sweet charity and the love of God is instilled into the average human heart. Along with that decree is the other, mentioned in your article, that no woman will work in mill or factory by the side of these unfortunate. With these channels of occupation closed, it's up to the champions of the breaking up of these people to tell them and the public what they are to do and where they are to go.

It does not require but one eye to see that somebody has put somebody else in a hole under the zeal of doing good, and that zeal was so keen that there was no provision made for getting out of the hole.

These things ought to have been said before the passage of the act, for all it can serve now is to show how short sighted a body of representative men were; and to make the prediction that the statute will be a dead letter inside of a year in most places, and the only effect it can ever have on the morals of anybody will be to start up a new class of liars of the people hauled up under the workings of the law.

I have never heard of any community getting any lasting benefits from prosecution or persecution of this pitiable class who are created by the statute of the male sex. They have always been here. Jesus Christ healed and blessed more than one in his short life on earth, and when he was asked to condemn a woman taken in adultery said: "Let him that is without sin first cast the stone."

I am not contented that a good comes from these pieces of shame, but I do believe they will always be here, and that the parable of the wheat and the tares growing together till the harvest, another of Christ's teachings, is applicable here. The extremist will say that the law is of refuge to which these poor sinners can go, and there are a few it is true, but not enough to care for one in a hundred; and I further predict that if there is any special effort made to enforce this law the law does that will spring up on the outskirts of the towns and cities, and as long as the monument to the author of a one-sided police regulation, the title to which ought to read: "An act to scatter sin."

The writer is aware that he is championing the most despised of the human race, but as his country is clean, he has no apology to offer for the stand taken, feeling and knowing that his ground is right.

Religion and morality come from the impulses of the heart. Law cannot create either. In fact, putting laws about people to keep temptation away seems to have always increased the desire for sin and evil in the hearts of the depraved.

I cannot hope to help anyone escape the workings of a statute of law, but as pointed out by a wise editor this week, there are two times to discuss legislation, one before the body meets, the other after time enough has passed to see what was done. This can make somebody think.

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