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HERBERT AUSTIN A SUICIDE AT HILDEBRAN

Had Only Been Married a Few Weeks—Buried at Hildebran Tuesday.

Placing the muzzle of a revolver to his temple and pulling the trigger, Herbert Austin, a young white man formerly connected with a bank in High Point, committed suicide at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Noah Townsend, at Hildebran Monday morning.

Austin, whose home was in High Point, came here Monday morning on the early 7 o'clock train, and for some reason not assigned walked the rest of the way to Hildebran. Here he stopped at the home of his grandmother and after talking with her awhile, wrote several letters and placed them in a mail box near the house.

Shortly afterwards he went to another room, his grandmother thinking he had went there to sleep, but a few minutes afterwards heard a pistol shot and on investigating found him lying with a bullet hole through his temple. Dr. Menzies and Dr. Blackburn were summoned from here, and the man lived a short while after they had reached him.

Mr. J. W. Shuford, of this city, prepared the body for burial and the funeral was held at Hildebran Tuesday and the body was laid to rest beside that of his mother.

He was married April 14 to Miss Frances R. Smith of Jamestown, near High Point.

In a note he left he stated that a former sweetheart had driven him to commit the deed.

The Greensboro News gives the following as probable cause of the act:

A story of yesterday seemingly from accurate sources was a possible explanation of his deed. It was reported that he had borrowed at least \$2,800 from a young lady with whom he had been going and that she went to him after the marriage and asked that he either pay it or give a note for it, and that he refused to do either of these things.

Anstin was well known here, having been a student at Lenoir College several years ago, and boarding with Mr. R. H. Thomason.

West Hickory Items.

West Hickory, May 4.—The many friends of E. W. Humphries will be glad to know that he is improving. He has been very sick with pneumonia.

G. W. Branch has been sick the past week with tonsillitis and laryngitis, but is better now.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Byers spent a few days with friends and relatives in Bessemer City last week.

Miss Lucy Williams of Marion, is visiting her cousin, Miss Lela Williams.

Much good has been accomplished through the cottage prayer-meetings being held here under the leadership of the faithful pastor, Rev. W. N. Cook.

Little Marv Byers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Byers, is very sick at present.

R. P. Scruggs, of Rhodhiss, was a pleasant visitor at the Ivey Mill last Wednesday.

Claremont Commencement.

The following is the program for the closing exercises at Claremont College:

Friday night, May 8, Class night play, "Lucia's Lover."

Saturday night, May 9, Alumnae night.

Sunday, May 10, Annual sermon at 8 p. m., by Dr. Vines in the Reformed church.

Monday night, May 11, Commencement concert.

Tuesday, May 12, Graduating exercises. Address by Hon. W. A. Self.

Speaking at Minerva Schoolhouse.

Tomorrow evening, May 8th, Messrs. J. Yates Killian and J. W. Shuford and Agricultural Commissioner H. K. Foster will speak at Minerva schoolhouse on topics of interest to all farmers and their wives. The speaking will begin at 6:30 o'clock.

Ice cream will be served by the Women's Club. Everybody cordially invited.

Cure for Stomach Disorders.

Disorders of the stomach may be avoided by the use of Chamberlain's Tablets. Many very remarkable cures have been effected by these tablets. Sold by Moser & Lutz and Grimes Drug Co.

Reserve Banking System Soon to be in Operation

Was State Library, May 1.—The action of the comptroller of the currency today in approving banks in Richmond, Va., as reserve agents for several hundred banks in the Richmond federal reserve zone, nearly 100 of which are in North Carolina, is convincing evidence that the new federal reserve system which is soon to be in operation. The Merchants' National, Planters' National, American National and the National State and City bank, all of Richmond, are designated as the reserve agents for the following North Carolina institutions: National American Exchange, Greensboro; First National, Durham; First National, Gastonia; First National, Lexington; People's National, Winston-Salem; People's National, Salisbury; First National and Commercial National, Statesville; First National, Thomasville; First National, Wadesboro; Murchison and American National, Wilmington; Merchants' National, Winston-Salem; First National, Ashboro; American National, Asheville; Commercial and Union National, Charlotte; First National, Dunn; First National, Elizabeth City; Elkin National, Elkin; Greenville National, First National, Hickory; National of Kinross; Farmers' National, Louisburg; First National, Mooresville; First National, Morganton; First National, Mt. Airy; Shuford National, Newton; National Bank of Granville and First National, Oxford; Merchants' National, Raleigh; First National, Roanoke Rapids; First National, Rocky Mount.

Halt on Enlistments.

Galveston, Texas, May 1.—The Navy Department today sent orders to the local Navy recruiting station here to accept no more applications for enlistment in the Navy except from those who have been honorably discharged from the service.

The Navy, it was said, now has its full authorized strength of 51,000 men as a result of the heavy enlistments since the trouble with Mexico began. All available men seeking to enlist will be kept on a waiting list, however, in case of a call for more sailors.

There probably will be no more movement of troops from Galveston to Mexico until the arrival of the Army transports early next week.

Cattle Bring Good Price at Auction.

One of the most noted sales of live stock was that held on the farm of the late John B. Lutz last Thursday. Five thoroughbred milch cows brought on an average of \$115.00 each, the highest price paid being \$160.00 and the lowest \$80.00. Two thoroughbred bulls three months old brought \$37.50 and \$32.50 respectively. Four grade cows brought \$297.00, an average of \$72.25 each. Two ten months old grade heifers brought \$37.50 and \$21.00 respectively. One fifth interest in the senior herd bull brought \$134.00. Considering that all these were sold at auction to the highest bidder, the prices received are all the more remarkable.

Hen Has Big Family.

Mount Olive, May 3.—Two hundred and fifty chicks with one hen is the sight to be seen at the home of Mrs. J. L. Brock, of Faison. The first hen to set this spring was placed with her young brood in a small enclosure; then all chicks subsequently hatched by other hens were placed in the same enclosure with the first brood, their mothers being shut up for a few days to wean them from their brood, the same hen being kept with the chicks all the time. It is said that the idea has worked remarkably well.

Mrs. J. M. Little, of this city, was called to Charlotte last Friday by a telegram announcing the death of her sister, Mrs. A. C. Bethune. Her home was in Aberdeen, but she had come to a Sanatorium in Charlotte for an operation.

Coughed for Three Years

"I am a lover of your godsend to humanity and science. Your medicine, Dr. King's New Discovery, cured my cough of three years standing," says Jennie Flemming, of New Dover, Ohio. Have you an annoying cough? Is it stubborn and won't yield to treatment? Get a 50c. bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery to-day. What it did for Jennie Flemming it will do for you, no matter how stubborn or chronic a cough may be. It stops a cough and stops throat and lung trouble. Relief or money back. 50c. and \$1.00, at your Druggist.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve for Pimples.

FUNSTON'S TELEGRAMS CAUSE OF CONFERENCES

American Troops Are Being Watched by Large Number of Mexicans.

Washington, May 3.—Dispatches from Brigadier General Funston on the situation at Vera Cruz were the subject of a long conference at the war department tonight between Secretary Garrison and Major General Wotherspoon, chief of staff of the army.

It was said General Funston had asked for instructions in view of the hostile attitude of the Mexican army near the city. Earlier in the day the general had reported that the American outposts at Vera Cruz, were being watched by Mexicans and there were more than ten thousand Mexican troops encamped in the vicinity. These dispatches were summed by Secretary Garrison, in his statement:

"I am in receipt, today, of a dispatch from General Funston, regarding the incident at the pumping plant. He says the officer in command of the Mexican troops was Major Zapota, of the engineer corps of the Mexican army. He refers to the fact that little dependable news about conditions in the interior is coming in, because no more refugees are now coming in to Vera Cruz.

"It is reported to him that General Maas has about 4000 men at Soledad and there is an unknown number, not large, watching our lines. He understands that the Mexicans have 5000 troops at Jalapa, and about 1500 at Palma, where they are throwing up defenses. He says there are many wild rumors afloat, which are not worthy of credence.

"Some provision sellers came into the city today, from the north. The city is quiet. A Mexican officer who was in Vera Cruz in civil clothes was directed to leave."

Young Boy Killed in Fight.

Lenoir News. Joe Thompson, 13 years old, son of the late John Thompson died Sunday morning in the Foot Hills Sanatorium from a fractured skull, received in a fight with Garland Harris, 14 years old, last Friday.

As we are informed the Thompson lad threw some nails at Harris, while they were at work in the Caldwell Furniture Co's. factory, which the latter resented and threw a brick bat striking Thompson on the head. At first the wound was not considered serious but upon later examination it was found his skull was fractured, and he was removed to the Sanatorium where he died as stated, Sunday morning.

The remains of the dead boy were buried at the Steele graveyard Wednesday.

Young Harris was placed in jail without bail to await trial at the August term of court.

Newton Gets Out Pamphlet Describing Advantages of County.

Newton, May 1.—The pamphlet concerning Catawba county, which has been in course of preparation for several weeks will be published in a few days. A large number of leading manufacturers and capitalists of the Northern cities and those of the Middle West will soon be reading it, thereby becoming acquainted with the resources and developments of this section of the State.

The reading matter has been carefully prepared and written by Col. D. P. Waters. Particular attention has been given to Newton and its tributary territory. All the illustrations are new and designed to exhibit some of the leading attractions.

B. E. Houston Mayor of Highland.

At the town election held in Highland Monday B. E. Houston was elected mayor, Jas. E. Shook, Jefferson D. Miller, T. Percy Mouser and Willis P. Smith alternates, and Chas E. Hefner and Jno. F. Newton school trustees.

Child Cross? Feverish? sick?

A cross, peevish listless child, with coated tongue, pale doesn't sleep, eats sometimes very little, then again ravenously, stomach sour, breath fetid, pains in stomach, with diarrhoea, grinds teeth while asleep, and starts up with terror—all suggest a worm killer—that expels worms, and almost every child has them. Kickapoo Worm Killer is needed, get a box to-day. Start at once. You won't have to coax, as Kickapoo Worm Killer is a confection. Expels the worms, the cause of your child's trouble. 25c. at your druggist.

Health a Factor in Success

The largest factor contributing to a man's success is undoubtedly health. It has been observed that a man is seldom sick when his bowels are regular—he is never well when they are constipated. For constipation you will find nothing quite so good as Chamberlain's Tablets. They not only move the bowels but improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion. They are sold by Moser & Lutz and Grimes Drug Co.

WILL OPEN DRUG STORE.

Statesville Commercial Club Petitioning For New Train.

Statesville Landmark. Mr. and Mrs. John C. Murphy have arrived in Statesville from Greensboro. Mr. Murphy, who formerly lived in Hickory, will be in charge of Murphy's Prescription Shop, the new drug store on west Broad street. Fixtures are now being installed in the new store, but it will be some days before it is ready to open for business.

At the instance of the board of governors of the Commercial club a petition was circulated in Statesville this week asking the Southern railway to put on an earlier morning train to Charlotte. Statesville traveling men—and a great number of traveling men live here—have long desired a train for Charlotte that will enable them to make the morning connection at Charlotte for Southern points. Leaving Statesville for the South by the present train, which leaves here at 11 o'clock, and some times later on account of waiting on connections are missed in Charlotte and much time lost.

The petition asks that a new train be put on the Western road starting at Old Fort, to run via Statesville to Charlotte, reaching the latter town not later than 9:30 a. m., and leaving there on the return trip not later than 3:30.

Americans All.

Col. Robert E. Lee of Virginia landed with Scott at Vera Cruz in 1847. R. E. Lee, ordinary seaman, landed from Fletcher's fleet in 1914 and was slightly wounded. With his name in the list of casualties appear a number of others of purely English sound—Watson, Morton, Taylor, Lane and the like; with others that suggest a remote Norman French or Huguenot or possibly a more recent Canadian ancestry, such as Gilbert, Poinsett, De Lowry, Bennett.

The first man killed was D. A. Haggerty, private of marines. Of his fighting race there is no lack in the lists, beginning with Fitzgerald, Boyle, Hughes, Blaney and Leahy. Having no flag of their own to fight for, the Poles are fighting for ours as they have for others, and Nagorowski and Ponkowski are among the wounded. Germans are many, such as Schumaker, Frohlichstein, Katzenberger and Schwarz; in a former generation Smith may possibly have been Schmidt, or Fisher Fischer.

The Scots are never far away when there is fighting, and here are Cameron, McMillan and McCloy, along with the Scandinavian Jans, Anderson and Peterson. Kwapick and Devorick suggest Slavic races not long represented in our country in great numbers, and the dead De Fabio comes of the race of the greatest war leader of history.

Some names suggest the disguise of misprint, like Vatioog and Keas; and at the end the Norman English Percy takes us back to Chevy Chase, and Gisburne to Robin Hood and the Merry England of cross-bow times.

Whatever the derivation of these men and the names they bear, of one thing we may be assured. They are Americans all. The great Republic is their Nation and their home, their mother or foster-mother.—New York World.

Marriage and Death.

Mr. Henry Frye and Miss Bessie Cline were married Sunday evening at the Startown High School Dormitory by the Rev. H. G. Kopenhagen. These young people gave their friends a great surprise as no one had any intimation of the marriage.

Rev. A. W. Setzer conducted the funeral of Mrs. Leonard Campbell at Zion Church on Sunday. A large crowd was present and the deceased was held by her neighbors. She leaves a husband and one small child about nine years old. Mrs. Campbell had been greatly afflicted for about seven years.—Catawba County News.

Married in Burke.

Married in Icard township, on last Sunday evening at the residence of H. A. Adams, the officiating magistrate, Miss Artie Cline to Mr. Willie Crafton, both of Burke county. The marriage was well attended by friends of the bride and groom.

Missionary Killed by African Lion.

Khartoum, Egyptian Sudan, April 21.—Rev. Halph W. Tidrick, of the America United Presbyterian mission in the Sudan, died today of wounds received in an encounter with a lion. Mr. Tidrick entered the mission field in 1906.

Rheumatism Quickly Cured

"My sister's husband had an attack of rheumatism in his arm," writes a well known resident of Newton, Iowa. "I gave him a bottle of Chamberlain's Liniment which he applied to his arm and on the next morning the rheumatism was gone." For chronic muscular rheumatism you will find, nothing better than Chamberlain's Liniment, Sold by Moser & Lutz & Grimes Drug Co.

HON. E. R. PRESTON SPEAKS IN HICKORY

States That if Elected to Congress Will Do His Best For the People.

Hon. E. R. Preston, candidate for Congress from the Ninth Congressional District, spoke to a large and appreciative audience in the City Hall, Saturday evening, May 2. He was introduced by Mr. W. J. Shuford in a few well-chosen words.

Mr. Preston's speech was short, as he had spoken twice that day, yet it was decidedly to the point. He stated among other things, that if he is elected to Congress he will put forth every effort to carry out the wishes of the people from the Ninth Congressional district, and not confine his appointments to the people of his own county, as has been done in the past. He advocates Rural Credit Associations, and thinks they will be for the benefit of farmers through the country. He referred to the record of Mr. Webb in Congress, as a fact that he had not got the appropriations for his district to which it was entitled, and which other congressmen had gotten for their districts.

At the close of Mr. Preston's speech he remarked that there was a gentleman in the room whom he knew the people would be glad to hear from and called on Hon. W. A. Self, who responded by saying he did not care to worry the audience, but that if he could stand it they surely could. He said it had been stated by Mr. Webb's followers that there were a few men in Hickory called "sore-heads" because they did not secure their man for postmaster, and now want to take Mr. Webb's job. He asked the question, was this Mr. Webb's, or does it belong to the people of the Ninth Congressional district? When our forefathers framed the Constitution of the United States they limited the term of Congress to two years, then the candidate may stand for re-election, if he so desires. Gen. George Washington, the father of our country, then president of the United States, declined to accept the third term of office, which precedent has been followed up to the present. Mr. Webb has been elected to Congress for six terms, and yet is not satisfied, and wants the seventh term. Mr. Self gave out a challenge to any man to meet him in joint debate, and try to prove to him why Mr. Webb should have the seventh term of office. They were two strong speeches, and the results will be seen in the large vote that will be given Mr. Preston from Catawba county.

Setzer-Eckard.

Sunday morning at the residence of Rev. J. H. Wannemacher, who performed the ceremony, Mr. P. C. Setzer, one of our most prominent merchants, and Mrs. Laura Eckard, who lives near Lenoir College, were quietly married. The Democrat joins with their many friends in extending good wishes.

Methodist Bishops Named.

Philadelphia, May 2.—The board of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church in semi-annual meeting in this city passed a resolution today endorsing President Wilson's effort to "avoid war with the people of Mexico." The board announced the assignment of Bishops to preside over the annual conferences of the church next fall in the west and south. The assignments include:

Central Tennessee, Henderson. East Tennessee, Henderson. North Carolina, Henderson. South Carolina, Lette. Tennessee, Henderson.

Catawba Boy Promoted.

Many Catawba county people will be interested in an announcement recently received telling of the promotion of Clarence O. Sherrill to the place of major corps of engineers, U. S. Army. Sherrill is a son of M. O. Sherrill the state librarian, and a brother of Mrs. S. L. Alderman and E. G. Sherrill of Greensboro, and Marvin Sherrill our former city manager.

Most Prompt and Effectual Cure for Bad Colds.

When you have a bad cold you want a remedy that will not only give relief, but effect a prompt and permanent cure, a remedy that is pleasant to take, a remedy that contains nothing injurious. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy meets all these requirements. It acts on nature's plan, relieves the lungs, aids expectoration, opens the secretions and restores the system to a healthy condition. This remedy has a world wide sale and use, and can always be depended upon. Sold by Grimes Drug Co. & Moser & Lutz.

Miss Norma Stevenson is visiting relatives in Taylorsville.

For a mild, easy action of the bowels, try Doan's Regulents, a modern laxative, 25c at all stores.

Government of Vera Cruz Taken Over by General Funston.

Vera Cruz, April 30.—The task of guarding the city of Vera Cruz and its environs was taken over from the navy today by Brig. Gen. Frederick Funston and the fifth infantry brigade of the United States army.

While martial law still continues in force the actual municipal government is being conducted by Robert J. Kerr, the American civil governor, who has enlisted the aid of Mexican officials to act under his superintendence and in accordance with Mexican laws.

After a morning enlivened by the marching to and fro of large bodies of American soldiers, sailors and marines, the city resumed its normal life. The evening, however, was made gay by outdoor dinner parties at the cafes, accompanied by music and sometimes by dancing.

Newton Happenings.

Newton, April 30.—Rev. J. D. Andrew, of Newton, president of the classis of Reformed church of the United States has gone to Rockwell to attend the 84th annual conference.

Reports have gone out that there were a number of cases of smallpox in Newton but the county physician and other physicians say there is absolutely no foundation for such reports. There were two or three mild isolated cases. These were not in the town proper, but out in the suburbs of the town.

The town commissioners have passed an ordinance prohibiting carnivals from coming to town. No such shows will be allowed within 1,000 feet of any business house or dwelling.

W. A. Self, of Hickory, addressed the Preston club at the courthouse Tuesday night.

The Catawba baseball team played the Deaf and Dumb institution yesterday. The score was 10 to 4, in favor of the Deaf and Dumb team.

We'll Spell the Old Wa.

Ther cam to this office the other da a pamphlet concerning simplifid spelling, and, to tel the truth, it is the funiest thing that we have seen for a long tim. It gives 31 rules for betering our language, and each wun of them is funier than the wun befor it. We showd it to the Linotip man and he sed that a few mor pamphlets lik that wud mak him so nervous that he cud not atend to his job properly. In fakt, he sed it wud griv him the "wullies" to work on such hiroglifics. What the editor sed wud hav to be simplifid a hol lot befor it cud be publisht here, and on the hol, it is saf to predikt that we wil kontinu to be old fashuned.—Towson (Md.) Union News.

Mr. B. Z. Buchanan bought the building now occupied by the First National Bank and the Postoffice for Mr. H. W. Harris.

This will be torn down in the near future and moved to the Harris lot on Tenth avenue to be used in building a store building.

Keep Bowel Movement Regular

Dr. King's New Life Pills keep stomach, liver and kidneys in healthy condition. Kids the body of waste, improve your complexion by flushing the liver and kidneys. "I got more relief from one box of Dr. King's New Life Pills than any medicine I ever tried says C. E. Hatfield, of Chicago Ill. 25c., at your druggist.

Much interest is being taken in the coming of Dr. Vines next Sunday.

He will preach the sermon before the graduating class of Claremont College in the Reformed church at 8 p. m.

TWICE-TOLD TESTIMONY.

Hickory People Are Doing All They Can For Fellow Sufferers.

Hickory Testimony has been published to prove the merit of Doan's Kidney Pills to others in Hickory who suffer from bad backs and kidney ills. Let any sufferer doubt this evidence of merit, we produce confirmed proof—statements from Hickory people who again endorse Doan's Kidney Pills—confirm their former testimony. Here's a Hickory case: H. W. Mingo, 801 Twelfth St., Hickory, N. C., says: "For several months I had a severe pain in the small of the back. After I stooped, I could hardly straighten. In the morning I was lame and sore. Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Moser & Lutz's Drug Store, helped me at once. By the time I had used two boxes, I was cured."

RE-ENDORSEMENT.

On March 6, 1912, Mr. Mingo said: "I gladly confirm the statement I gave before recommending Doan's Kidney Pills. They did me more good than any other kidney remedy I ever took." Price 50c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Mingo had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. (adv't)

BRING HOME BODIES OF 17 DEAD MARINES

Those Killed in Fight at Vera Cruz Were Taken to New York.

Vera Cruz, May 3.—The bodies of 17 American bluejackets and marines killed in the street fighting during the operations accompanying the occupation of Vera Cruz by the United States fleet, started on their way to New York today on board the cruiser Montana. Solemn honors were paid by the great assemblage of United States and foreign war vessels as the Montana departed.

The crews of the warships in full uniform lined the sides of the warships and as the Montana reached each one, the men stood at attention, the marine guards presented arms and the ship bands played. One by one the colors of the fighting craft sank to half mast as the Montana passed through a lane formed by divisions of the Atlantic fleet.

On shore during the Montana's passage out of the harbor, the flag over Brigadier General Frederick Funston's headquarters was half-masted and was only raised again when the vessel had disappeared on the horizon.

The hospital ship Solace with about 100 sick and wounded American bluejackets and marines on board, it was said today, might sail Northward later this week. All the men under treatment on board are doing well.

Rev. Huffman, Blind Preacher, Married.

The following account of the marriage of Rev. M. A. Huffman, the blind preacher who was born and raised near this city, is taken from the Lexington letter to the Reformed Church Standard: Monday evening, April 13th, Rev. M. A. Huffman and Miss Sadie Belle Beck were married, the ceremony being performed in the Second Reformed Church by Dr. J. C. Leonard. The Rev. Mr. Huffman is pastor of this church and is held in high esteem by his parishioners. Both bride and groom are totally blind, and the wedding was one of great interest to their many friends, all of whom wish them a happy life.

Indigestion? Can't Eat? no appetite?

A treatment of Electric bitters increases your appetite; stops indigestion; you can eat every thing. A real spring tonic for liver, kidney and stomach troubles. Cleanses your whole system and you feel fine. Electric Bitters did more for Mr. T. D. Peeble's stomach trouble than any medicine he ever tried. get a bottle to-day 50c and \$1.00 at your Druggist. Bucklen's Arnica Salve for Eczema.

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