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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR.

BOY CUT TO PIECES BY HIS SCHOOLMATES

Serious Affray at Richmond County School House—The Mistake Parents Make in Upholding Boys in Wrong Doing.

Special to The Journal.

Rockingham, R. F. D. 5. — Like many uncalculated happenings at school, an affair took place at Gibson Mill school house last Wednesday, when Mr. Walter Garrett was cut seriously and beat up badly by two other boys using a knife and ball bat. The two young ruffians are Messrs. John Mills and John Yarborough.

The fray started when John Yarborough got the ball that Garrett was playing with and said that he was going to cut it up and get out his knife and did cut the ball. Then the Garrett boy tried to take the ball away from him, Yarborough then said, "I'll cut you," and started to fighting. Garrett tried to hold Yarborough's hand that the knife was in, but then John Mills took up for Yarborough and knocked Garrett in the head with a ball bat.

Garrett turned and was trying to take the ball away from Mills when Yarborough jumped on his back and commenced to slash him in the back with his knife. Then Mills got another good lick at Garrett on the head again with the bat and knocked him down that time. Then about this time some one notified the teacher, Miss Scarborough, that the boys were fighting, but when she got there the deed was done. Garrett is cut in six places in the back and his hands are also cut. One gash in the back which is just behind the shoulder blade is two inches long and about an inch and a half deep.

Garrett did not have his coat on, nothing but his two shirts, and they were cut all to shreds. The Garrett boy is a quiet fellow about eighteen years of age and he has the sympathy of all this community.

Mills and Yarborough are about sixteen or seventeen years old and they have a bad record. Yarborough was expelled from this school last year on account of a fight that he was the perpetrator of. Last year he almost killed a boy and was expelled from the school and nothing more said about it, but from all reports he went too far this time.

Immediately after the fracas the teacher expelled Yarborough, and whipped Mills, but he would not take off his coat as she commanded him to do. Then the committee men came and told him he could take off his coat and take a good whipping or go home. Mills said, "I'll go home, my daddy said for me not to take off my coat for no woman to whip me." Mr. Yarborough brought his boy back and wanted the teacher to just whip him and let him come on back to school but the committee would not let either of the boys come back.

The parents are upholding these boys in their meanness. Mr. Yarborough talked very impolite to the teacher.

They tried to compromise with Garrett but he would not hear to anything of the kind. They offered to pay the doctor bill and all other expenses and stop the matter but Garrett is procuring a lawyer for the boys and will push the case to the full extent of the law.

The student went to see the Garrett boy after he got hurt and his clothes were bloody as could be and the back of his shirts are cut all to pieces. At present Garrett is resting very nicely and will get up soon.

THE STUDENT.

MONTENEGRO HAS LAID DOWN HER ARMS AND QUIT

Smallest Country of Them All, Driven to Extreme Disaster, Surrendered to Austria—Little Other Fighting Taking Place.

Beset on the North, east and west by Austro-Hungarian armies and with all lines of retreat cut off, except into Albania, where hostile tribesmen must be faced, Montenegro has asked Austria-Hungary for peace, and her request has been granted. The unconditional laying down of arms by Montenegro was made the basis of the opening of peace negotiations and Montenegro accepted these terms imposed by the Dual Monarchy.

This announcement was made to the Hungarian Parliament by Premier Tisza, and it was met with an ovation on the part of the members of the chamber. Thus comes the first withdrawal of any belligerent from either of the alliances that have been fighting with each other since August 1914.

It has been conceded for days that the situation of Montenegro was a critical one. Although the army of the little Kingdom fought valiantly against the Austro-Hungarians, it was unequal because of inferior forces, lack of guns and it has been stated, a shortage in commissariat supplies, to the task of holding back the armies that had, in conjunction with their allies, succeeded in crushing Serbia.

Already the Montenegrin Capital and many of its important towns had fallen into the hands of the Austro-Hungarians, and the invaders were well on their way to Montenegro's chief seaport—Antivari. Last accounts had the Montenegrin Government at Scutari. The whereabouts of King Nicholas is not known.

The British and the Russians in Mesopotamia and the Caucasus region, respectively, are pressing the Turks hard. The army of King George, coming northward from the

Persian Gulf to the relief of the British forces at Kut-el-Amara, has driven the Ottomans to within six miles of the beleaguered town on the Tigris.

The Russians in their drive along the front of nearly 100 miles in the Caucasus have won additional points of vantage from the Turks, especially in the Arasa and Indi Valley regions. Constantinople admits this, but says that south of the Arasa in hand-to-hand fighting in a Russian advanced position, heavy casualties were inflicted on the Russians by the Turks.

On the other front little fighting of moment has taken place. The British and French guns in France and Belgium have been busy bombarding German trenches, while on the Russian front there has been fighting only at isolated points from the Riga region to Bukovina.

The Italians through a concentrated artillery fire on trenches near Osalvia, taken from them recently by the Austro-Hungarians, have forced out the invaders and again occupied their former positions.

According to the semi-official Overseas News Agency of Berlin, Entente Allied troops have landed at Phaleron, a port five miles southwest of Athens and once the port of the Greek Capital. The Berlin newspapers, the news agency says, attribute this as part of the preparations looking to the overthrow of King Constantine and the placing of Eleftherios Venizelos, the former Premier, who always has sided with the Entente Powers, at the head of a Greek Republic.

The French General Sarrail has taken supreme command of the Entente forces at Saloniki. An Athens newspaper is authority for the statement that the Greek Government will proclaim martial law this week and that Parliament will meet next Monday to ratify the proclamation.

Deep Interest in Mexican Situation.

Everything in Washington is being subordinated to interest in the Mexican situation growing out of the murder of the Americans by Mexican bandits at Sata Ysabel. The European war and other things which have been occupying the stage have been thrown into the shadows by it, and Congress will no doubt put in the week talking about Mexico. General Carranza, president of Mexico, whose government has been recognized by the United States, has sent assurances that he will take every possible step to punish the men responsible for it.

Members of the House and Senate are unanimous in their insistence that the Sana Ysabel bandits be punished, but the majority oppose any step that would result in intervention, which might mean destruction of the de facto Government of the United States and the Pan-American Nations led in establishing.

Zero Weather Over Greater Part Eastern Half Country.

Washington Dispatch, Jan. 17.

Near zero weather prevailed tonight over much of the country east of the Mississippi River. No relief was in prospect for tomorrow, but the Government forecasters predicted slightly warmer weather for Wednesday.

Skies were fair with the mercury around zero north of the Ohio during the day, but sleet storms swept many sections of the South all the way to the Gulf. The center of the cold wave was over West Virginia. At Elkin the thermometer registered four degrees above the zero mark. Miami, Fla., was the warmest place, with a reading of 74 degrees. On the Pacific Coast a new storm was moving eastward.

Let the Old Sister In.

Mrs. Pankhurst, the leader of the English suffragettes who campaigned in the style of Carrie Nation. By smashing things up, landed in New York Saturday. As she was getting off the steamer she was grabbed by an official and told that she could not enter the United States on the ground that the law forbade anyone coming in who had been guilty of a crime involving moral turpitude. Mrs. Pankhurst was indignant and said that she was coming to this country to seek aid for starving Serbia and was not even going to discuss suffrage or other political questions at all. Mr. Lewis F. Post, assistant secretary of labor, ordered her paroled until she could appeal to Washington, and thus took her out of the clutches of the local officer. Of course it was only an attempt to use a technicality to harass Mrs. Pankhurst, and too small a business for the United States to be engaged in.

Caesar Cone Donates Hundred Dollars Toward Mitchell Monument Raleigh Dispatch, 18th.

Governor Craig has received from Mr. Caesar Cone a check for \$100 toward building the monument on Mitchell's Peak. No subscriptions have been solicited. This is the first money that has been actually contributed, although many have signified their desire and intention to make contributions. The governor greatly appreciates this generous and patriotic act of Mr. Caesar Cone, and expresses his gratification to have his support and co-operation.

The erection of this memorial on our greatest mountain to our greatest scientist will be an inspiration to the people of the State," said Governor Craig, "and I have been much gratified by the expressions of support which I have received from many people and from leading men who always give evidence of their interest in the welfare of the State."

Two Brothers Admit Exchange of Wives.

Philadelphia Dispatch, 18th.

When Dominick Maio, 33, and Eugenio Maio, 28 years old, brothers, were arraigned before Recorder Stackhouse in Camden, they admitted "swapping" wives. They were both locked up in default of bail.

Just a week ago the wife of Dominick was slashed across the neck with a razor by her brother-in-law, Eugenio, and she has since been in a serious condition in the Cooper Hospital. He accused her or having stolen \$150.

Her husband, Dominick, was accused of having deposited \$90 of the stolen money in his own name. When the injured woman is able to leave the hospital the four will be arraigned in the Police Court on misdemeanor charges.

EX-DICTATOR HUERTA IS DEAD.

Former Provisional President of Mexico Passes at El Paso After Extended Illness.

El Paso, Tex., Dispatch, Jan. 13.

Victoriano Huerta, former dictator of Mexico, died here tonight. General Huerta was a professional soldier and as such he had, up to the overthrow of President Francisco Madero, been known for his loyal support of the existing governments. He fought loyally for President Porfirio Diaz until his fall, and when Diaz was no longer chief executive, Huerta fought for Francisco de la Barra. After Francisco Madero was elected Huerta found it to be his duty to support one who so long fought as a rebel. His loyalty was not challenged until the Felix Diaz revolution in Mexico City in February, 1913, when the Madero government was completely overthrown, Huerta himself elevated to the presidency.

Huerta devoted himself to the military career at a very early age. Born at Chihuahua in 1854, he entered the Military academy of Chihuahua at the age of 17 and graduated through the full course of graduation in 1875, when he was commissioned second lieutenant of engineers. During his academic term he was known for his predilection for scientific studies, particularly astronomy and mathematics.

Huerta commanded all the detached government forces in the State of Guerrero at the beginning of the Madero revolution. When Madero acceded to the presidency, General Huerta was sent back into Mexico with a force to put down the Zapata rebellion. As a result of ill-feeling growing out of this campaign Huerta was recalled.

Huerta was the moving spirit in the consummation of the plot that resulted in the seizure of the person of President Madero and his brother, Gustavo. The assassination of President Madero and his brother followed and in the meantime Huerta, with the military behind him, had been recognized as the provisional president.

Bethlehem News.

Correspondence of The Journal.

Bethlehem, Jan. 17.—Mrs. S. L. Griffin of Dunedin, Fla., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Broom in this community.

Messrs. John Hinson and Garland Swicegood of Mt. Prospect spent Sunday at Mr. J. H. Plyler's.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Belk of Bethel spent Sunday in this community with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Belk.

Miss Vivian Starnes was the guest of Miss Wilma Plyler, Sunday.

Mr. Henry Plyler spent Sunday at Mr. Aaron Tyson's, near College Hill.

Miss Irlie Rollins of Smyrna spent Monday night and Tuesday at Mr. E. R. Starnes'.

Mr. J. H. Plyler visited at Mr. W. S. Starnes', Sunday.

Mr. Loyd Broom and little daughter, Miss Annie Virginia, spent Sunday at Mr. W. C. Broom's near Bethany.

Miss Mag Starnes of this community visited at Mr. J. H. Starnes', near Bethany, Friday night and Saturday.

Mrs. James Moser of Belwood has returned to her home after spending a few days with her father, Mr. William Starnes in this community.

Miss Mayme Starnes visited at Mr. Drake Starnes' Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John McAttee spent last week at Mr. W. S. Starnes'.

Mr. Garland Swicegood of Jacksonville, Fla., is visiting at Mr. T. D. Green's. CUTIE.

Prices Mill News.

Correspondence of The Journal.

Prices Mill, Jan. 17.—Mr. A. P. House and son of Lee's Mill visited at Mr. M. F. Craig's Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Helms visited Mr. W. Starnes Sunday.

Mr. Jim Presley had a wood sawing one night last week. There was a good jolly crowd there and after the sawing Mr. Presley gave a good supper. Price's Mill string band was there and furnished some good music. We all had a jolly good time and we thank Mr. Presley for such a good supper.

Mr. Grady Parker visited his uncle Mr. Will Helms Sunday. Mr. Helms' children are boarding with Mr. Parker and going to school at Wesley Chapel.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McGuire visited Mr. J. F. Hargett one day last week.

Mr. Joe Price and sister, Miss Pattie, attended the box supper at Bethel church Saturday night and reported a good time.

Mrs. Maurice Price returned from Florida one day last week. She had been visiting her parents. A CLEVER BOY.

Whip Prisoners Stripped to Waist.

Wilmington (Del.) Dispatch, 18th.

Stripped to the waist in zero weather, twelve prisoners were whipped in the workhouse today. They were tied to posts while the lash was applied to their bare backs.

Born Without Hands and Feet.

Physicians are deeply interested in the birth of a child without hands or feet at Victoria hospital, in London. The infant, whose parents are well-known, was born on January 8 and is strong and healthy and apparently a very bright child. Various theories have been advanced as to the cause. One is that the Belgian atrocities are to blame and another that a picture in the home is responsible.

JAPS NOT AFTER THE PHILIPPINES

Senator Shafroth Declares Orientals Do Not Want Islands.

Washington Dispatch, Jan. 12.

Japan willingly would become a party to an international agreement to respect the neutrality of the Philippines, if the United States gives the Filipinos self government, declared Senator Shafroth in the senate yesterday.

Senator McCumber (N. D.) asked if Japan would seize the Philippines as soon as the United States withdrew.

"No, there is not the remotest possibility of it," replied Senator Shafroth. "I have spent considerable time in Japan and I know the feelings of the Japanese toward the United States. There are now but 3,000 Japanese in the Philippines and more than 7,000 Chinese. If Japan had designs on the Philippines she would be colonizing, but Japanese do not like the tropics."

He referred to the reported efforts of Japan to obtain a naval base in Magdalena bay as growing out of a Japanese vessel being stuck in the mud and unable to get away.

The Wingate Philosopher

Correspondence of The Journal.

Wingate, Jan. 17.—Mr. P. A. Parker left Thursday on an extended visit among relatives about Kershaw. "Uncle Sandy" is one of the old Confederate veterans, and enjoys fine health for one of his age. Here's wishing him a delightful trip for one of his age.

No doubt but the hearts of his parents were made to rejoice Friday night when Mr. Jesse Outen, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Outen, who has been serving as a soldier in the United States army down in Texas for the last three years, came home. When it is remembered that this is the first home-coming of this young soldier since entering the service of Uncle Sam, it is easy to imagine the joy and gladness felt by the parents and entire family.

Mr. Hamp Preeson was the victim of a right painful, but not serious, accident a few days ago when his mules dashed off, throwing Mr. Preeson from the wagon and spraining his arm. Dr. Jerome gave the necessary treatment so that the patient has about recovered.

The little son of Willis Crowder, who lives on Mr. Jesse Williams' plantation south of Wingate, has been real sick with typhoid fever, but the doctor says he is improving just a little this morning.

Miss Bettie Fields, who has been spending some time with her sister-in-law, Mrs. T. M. Fields, has returned to her home in Greensboro. Her sister, Miss Della Fields will remain for some time as the guest of Mrs. Field and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Womble.

Mr. Robert Sullivan of Hamlet spent the week-end with the family of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sullivan of Wingate.

There will be a play, "Down in Dixie," rendered by local talent in the auditorium of the Wingate School on Friday night, Jan. 28. The public is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Blair Bivens and little Miss Dorothy Griffin spent Sunday afternoon with the family of Mrs. Bivens' parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Austin, of this place.

The weather has been rather unfavorable for out-of-doors activities, which accounts, largely, for the dearth of local news items at this time. We rejoice, however, over the fact that we have no bad or disagreeable news to chronicle and that everything within our territory is calm, serene, lively and lovely; and prospects for the future for our town is quite encouraging. More and better, anon! O. P. TIMIST.

Man's Life Hangs by a Thread

Boston Dispatch, 18th.

A thousandth of an inch of flesh marks the difference between life and death for John Monti of Quincy who is at the Quincy hospital. Monti was one of a group engaged in a scuffle. He was cut on the neck by a broken bottle in the hands of one of those in a brawl, his jugular vein being saved by the merest film.

Revival of Ancient Weapons in Warfare

London Dispatch, 18th.

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Philadelphia Record.

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"I've come for a little information, sir," he said hopefully.

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House-Broken

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"How do you do it?" asked the manager in amazement.

"Oh, it's quite simple," said the traveler. "The married men all wipe their feet on the mat; the single men don't."

Death of Mrs. J. W. Griffin

Mrs. J. W. Griffin died suddenly at ten o'clock Saturday night at her home in Monroe. Heart failure was the cause of death.

Mrs. Griffin had previously felt such attacks and she had not been well Saturday. While her death was not expected it could hardly be called a surprise. Mrs. Griffin was in her 76th year, having been born March 12, 1840.

Funeral services were held at the home on Monday afternoon by Rev. J. E. Abernethy, pastor of Central Methodist church, of which the deceased was a member. Notwithstanding the severity of the day a large number of friends attended the service. The pall bearers were Messrs. R. A. Morrow, W. A. Lane, B. C. Ashcraft, W. S. Blakeney, J. J. Parker and W. B. Love.

The deceased had been a resident of Monroe for many years. She was a native of Rowan and born near Salisbury. Her maiden name was Phillips and she has two brothers living, one in Mississippi and one in Newton, this State, both of whom were too ill to attend the funeral. She was married to Mr. G. Stiewall of Rowan about the time of the breaking out of the war and he was killed in the war. After the war she came to this county as a teacher and here met and married Sheriff J. W. Griffin. Their marriage took place on Christmas day 1875. Their only child, Mrs. E. C. Williams, survives. Sheriff Griffin died eighteen years ago.

Mrs. Griffin was a member of the church from the age of ten years. She was a lady of great kindness of heart and was always ready to do anything within her power for a friend or for any one who needed her services. Many a neighbor and friend remembers with pleasure the attentions shown them while sick by Mrs. Griffin. She was a brave, good woman who met life's problems with fortitude and bravery. She will be missed.

Brother of Ney McNeely Calls at the State Department.

Washington Dispatch, Jan. 17.

Senator Overman and S. H. McNeely, brother of Ney McNeely, called at the State Department to see if any information further could be obtained as to the fate of the young consul. No additional information was secured and no hope of anything further was extended.

Secretary Lansing sent two additional cablegrams tonight to consuls along the Mediterranean seeking to secure information of Ney McNeely or his remains.

He Failed to Spit Fire; Boy Started Playmates; Face Burned

Hagerstown (Md.) Dispatch, 17th.

Ralph Sierer, a Chambersburg high school boy, made a complete failure to show his schoolmates how to spit fire, and he is suffering from severe burns as the result of his attempt to put the miracle into operation. Sierer took a mouthful of gasoline, lighted a match and held it at arm's length. The flames followed the fumes to Sierer's mouth and enveloped his face, badly burning him.

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CHURCH FACTIONS IN PITCHED BATTLE

Knives, Revolvers and Clubs Used by Mob Which Wounds Eleven State Troopers.

Scranton, (Pa.) Dispatch, Jan. 16.

Rioting which broke out between rival factions at the Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Dupont, near here today, resulted in the death of one man, the probable fatal injury of at least a dozen more. Knives, revolvers and clubs played a prominent part in the riot, 11 State troopers being among the injured.

George Greizer, the dead man, was shot through the thigh, the bullet severing an artery. Trooper Ross Humir, of Pottsville, sustained a fracture at the base of the skull and Joseph Tinh, of Dupont, was shot through the lungs. Neither is expected to live.

This church has been the scene of half a dozen riots in as many weeks, one faction objecting to the authority exercised by Bishop M. J. Hoban of the Catholic Diocese of Scranton in naming a priest to take charge of the affairs of the church and the other supporting him. Every time the newly appointed priest has sought to hold services he has been prevented from entering the church by the opposing faction, but today arrangements had been made to say mass under the protection of the sheriff who called on the State police. A detail of a dozen troopers was on hand when services were to have opened, but so forbidding was the attitude of the crowd that a hurried call was sent in for more and 24 responded.

Before the reinforcements arrived the mob attacked the first detachment and the second reached the scene after most of the damage had been done. A second riot ensued in which the fighting was spectacular.

"Saul," Dead Maryland Negro Made Big Fortune in "Tips"

Salisbury (Md.) Dispatch, 17th.

Solomon T. Huston, who was buried here Saturday, was the best known and most influential negro in this section of the State, and had hundreds of friends among the leading business and society men of Baltimore. For many years he was head waiter at the Hygeia hotel at Old Point Comfort, and retired a quarter of a century ago with a fortune, chiefly made from "tips" by wealthy visitors in acknowledgment of his pleasing personality and perfect service.

Coming back to Salisbury, he established a bank here for the colored people, and became the leader of his race in a wide territory. He had the implicit confidence of the negroes and of the white people as well. He was a director of Morgan College, Baltimore, a leader in religious affairs and a political power. "Saul," as he was generally known, was 83 years old. A brother, aged 91, survives him. His funeral was the largest ever seen in the lower peninsula for one of his race. Many prominent white men attended the services as a mark of their respect for "Saul."

Kissed Wrong Girl Good-By

New York Dispatch, 18th.

The lobby of a crowded hotel isn't always the safest place to kiss a girl goodby. At the Waldorf-Astoria recently a pretty Southern girl and a Gibsnesque giant were having a tearful parting.

He had his head poised and was just about to land a good smack on her lips when the surging throng in Peacock Alley separated them.

When he "came to" he was standing by a red-haired girl, and she was close to a blond haired young man, who was supposed to be with the red haired girl. The Gibsnesque giant may not have kissed the red haired girl, but everybody thought that he did.

She gave a little scream and he blushed to the roots of his hair. And as to the pretty girl from the South, she found herself saying:

"Good-by dear," and wondering why. Soon she knew and she, too, blushed. Then several persons laughed. Then the young giant and the girl from the South decided to get into a waiting motor car and explain the awfulness of a crowd.

LIFE WITH A CHARM.

Written for The Journal.

Just hike right off to the big city, youngster. There's a world of sport and excitement in a hand to mouth existence.—Newspaper clipping.

Just hike right off to the city, young man.

For the big boss wants a boy To obey his command, With a willing hand, And the fare you are sure to enjoy.

Just hike right off to the city, young man.

If you're looking for worry and strife, You will toil with might 'Till far in the night, Oh, you'll surely find high life.

Just hike right off to the city, young man.

If you want to be cuffed and abused, And dine on tough steak And find when you wake In the morning you have the blues.

Just hike right off to the city, young man.

For life is dull on the farm, But shut yourself in four musty walls And be on hand when the big boss calls; Such life is life with a charm. —ARCH HUNEYCUTT.