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UNNAMEABLE CRIME AT WAYNESVILLE.

The Carolina Mountaineer carries this story of an attempt to commit the most fiendish of crimes:

An 18 year old negro named Lon Boss, who has been shining shoes in the barber shop for a while, saw little Isacore Sussman in front of the stairway of his home on Main street and gave the little fellow some candy and asked, him where his little sister was, saying he wished to give her some candy, also. The boy went for her and they all went down the alley near their home. The negro then gave the little fellow a nickel with which to buy some more candy and unsuspectingly he hurried away on his errand.

As providence ruled it, in a few minutes the mother raised the window curtains and espied a table cloth of some scraps out of the window which fell on the child and the black and this called forth an outcry or noise from her.

The mother, missing her child, called her and looking out saw the black form get up from the ground and this doubtless prevented a most fearful outcome.

The mother quickly had the little girl unstairs and wrung some of the ugly story from her, but pride for the name of the little girl and fear of what her husband might do in a moment of rage caused her to put off telling him. But she did tell him on Sunday and he was almost broken with grief and crazed with anger.

Monday morning after questioning the boy also he sought Chief Mitchell and they made plans and as soon as convinced of the identity of the negro he was arrested and taken to jail.

A preliminary hearing was set for Tuesday but the attorneys asked that it be postponed until today at 10 o'clock so this was done by Police Justice John M. Queen. Capt. J. H. Howell will represent the prosecution while the accused has retained Branner Gilmer, Esq., for his defense.

The matter has been kept unusually quiet and well it has, for such agitation would be dangerous. Our people are law abiding but such an attempt in the center of town a few feet from the sidewalk is a tremendous trial to their patience.

AFFRAY ON CANEY FORK.

A report reaches us, of an affray, on Caney Fork, Tuesday, when Weaver Swangim suffered a dangerous wound from an axe in the hands of Dillard Hooper.

The trouble seems to have arisen over the location of a road that Hooper had been constructing and a fence that Swangim was building. Some altercation ensued and in the row Hooper seized an axe and struck Swangim in the head.

Swangim is said to be in a desperate condition and there is little hope for his recovery.

Both men are married and are prominent in the Caney Fork section. Later Sheriff Buchanan, who was called to the scene of the tragedy, stated that Swangim is resting very well and there is hope that he will recover.

Swangim's head was not crushed but the skull was fractured.

BINDS THREE JACKSON MEN TO U. S. COURT

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Mr. R. E. Osborne, recently appointed U. S. Commissioner, tried his first case Monday morning in the mayor's office here, which resulted in the binding over to the U. S. court three Jackson county men for retailing. They were S. H. Harris, M. M. Harris and D. B. Phillippe and were defended by Capt. J. H. Howell.

The case was prosecuted by Chief deputy marshal Jno. Y. Jordan and evidence was given by deputy marshals J. F. Cabe of Canton and J. A. Galloway of Brevard, who made the raid last Saturday night above Sunburst, about half a mile beyond the Haywood gap on the Jackson county side, at an isolated camp, when these men were found about daylight around a camp fire.

Near this camp was another and several jugs, a keg and some pint bottles containing blockade whiskey were found and destroyed. The deputies said there were from 7 to 10 gallons of moonshine and it was the roughest weather that night they ever experienced in the mountains, without shelter. The booze was guarded by dogs and officer Galloway considers himself lucky that he was not bitten.

IT'S A BEAR.

A real bear and a big bear was very close to town Sunday night in his rambles from one part of the county to another. It is only about two miles from town, where his big tracks were found on the shore where he entered Lake Junaluska for his swim across. The tracks were also found on the opposite side Monday morning and were fresh.

Jerry Liner made the discovery and gave out the news. A party on horseback, consisting of James Atkins, Jr., Lucius Bramlett, James Stringfield and Robert Love colored, were soon on his trail with a number of dogs. They followed him across Utah mountain and as far as the mountains near and beyond Cove Creek. They were in less than a hundred yards of him once and saw him once or twice. They say brain was large as a good sized steer.—Carolina Mountaineer.

FOR PRIMARY LAW.

Hon. Galletin Roberts, of Buncombe, has made a public statement that he will introduce and attempt to secure the passage, at the coming session of the General Assembly, a bill providing for the holding of primaries for the purpose of nominating the candidates of all political parties, for all offices in North Carolina, on a day certain.

James Toy of Sylva was here Saturday visiting old friends.—Carolina Mountaineer.

Mrs. Alice Norton of Norton, Jackson county is visiting her sister Mrs. T. L. Green.—Carolina Mountaineer.

Our friend J. T. Leatherwood, member of the firm of Buchanan and Leatherwood, Dillsboro, was visiting friends and relatives here Saturday and Sunday.—Carolina Mountaineer.

GREAT CORN YIELD IN THE MOUNTAINS

News & Observer Dec. 2.

Mr. A. Cannon of Henderson county, who is here to attend the meeting of the State Board of Agriculture, of which he is a member, today, left samples of some of the finest corn ever seen in these parts in the office of the Commissioner of Agriculture yesterday. The corn is of the Farmers Favorite variety and Mr. Cannon stated that he had 12 acres in this corn which would yield this year 70 bushels to the acre. He will harvest 3,000 bushels all told from his farm this season.

Mr. Cannon stated that the corn crop in the western section of the State was immense this year and that in Henderson county alone the yield was 25 per cent greater than it was last year. He thinks that Henderson county will produce at least 100,000 bushels this year.

When asked about the apple crop which is also the largest ever known. Mr. Cannon said that the market was exceedingly dull and that apples were only bringing 30 cents per bushel in Hendersonville.

"Henderson county is making rapid strides in road building," said Mr. Cannon "Hendersonville town ship voted bonds this year for good road building to the amount of \$50,000 and fine sand clay roads are being built all over the township.

"Henderson county has voted all told this year \$107,000 in bonds for good roads and it will only be a short time until a fine road will be finished to Saluda and on to Spartanburg, S. C. A road will also be built to connect with the Bat Cave turnpike now being constructed by the State. This turnpike will hardly be finished before next spring however."

Mr. Cannon was enthusiastic over the good roads building in his county and said that ere long the mountain counties would have the finest system of highways in the State.

COMMUNITY SERVICE WEEK

In planning the local news for the observance of "Community Service Week." It was decided after building steps on the street leading to the Baptist church to ask every house-holder public and private to put their homes and premises and places of business in good order during the week by removing all unnecessary and unsightly articles, burn all the trash and bury or destroy what does not burn, also each person, as far as practicable, clean the street or road leading by them. We further recommend that the ladies of the town direct their attention to our public square about the depot, hoping the appearance of our town may soon be the expression of our ideas of a healthy beautiful locality.

Mrs. Keener, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. McKee, Mrs. Ingram and Mrs. Rhodes, Committee.

Columbus Coggins, of Erastus was in the city yesterday, on business.

ELECTED--CAN'T QUALIFY.

Although Jaun I. Jimenez has been elected president of the Dominican Republic, by a majority of both the popular and electoral vote he is unable to take the oath of office before Congress. The opposition, controlling Congress, refuses, hold a session. This information reaching the State Department today caused officials to feel somewhat doubtful over the situation in the island republic. A regiment of American marines aboard the transport Hancock, was held at Port Au Prince during the Haitian revolution and until the election was held. The Hancock is now in Dominican waters.

BRITISH WARSHIPS ARE PATROLLING THE ATLANTIC

At least twelve British warships are now patrolling the Atlantic between New York and the Panama Canal, sweeping the seas with their wireless, crowding ordinary commercial radios from the air, and keeping close check on all forms of shipping, according to wireless operators on the steamship, Ancon, that arrived here today from Cristobal.

The wireless activity of these war vessels, the operators said, is causing great inconvenience to the commercial work of American vessels as the high powered waves of the men-of-war, are heard continually in utter disregard of commercial business.

DIES FROM EATING LIVER

A man named Washburn, belonging to a traveling carnival company ate a pound of raw beef liver, in Savannah, Ga., and died in a few minutes.

UNCONSTITUTIONAL

A majority of the Supreme court joined in an opinion that Oklahoma "Jim Crow" law proviso permitting railroads to furnish sleeping, dining and chair car accommodations only to the white race was unconstitutional, but because of imperfections in the petition on which the case reached the courts they did not so decree.

A TEST OF LIVER COMPLAINT. Mentally Unhappy—Physically Dull.

The Liver, sluggish and inactive, first shows itself in a mental state—unhappy and critical. Never is there joy in living, as when the stomach and liver are doing their work. Keep your Liver active and happy by using Dr. King's New Life Pills: they empty the Bowels freely, tone up your Stomach, cure your Constipation and purify the Blood. 25c. at Druggists. Eucklen's Arnica Salve excellent for Piles.

G. C. Crisp was here from Nantahala the last of the week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Crisp.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY MEETS

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Baptist church was very pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. C. L. Allison on Wednesday afternoon. After the business session Mrs. Allison served delicious refreshments.

At this meeting it was decided that the Bazaar to be held under the auspices of this Society should be opened Wednesday, December 9, at Tompkins & Luck's millinery store. All who have agreed to contribute articles for the Bazaar are urged to send them to the above named place Tuesday, December 8th.

COUNTY PROGRESS DAY.

The people of the different townships and School Districts met yesterday and did work on the roads, public buildings, grounds, and cemeteries. The reports, received by members of the County Committee, indicate that a great deal of excellent work was done.

To-day North Carolina Day is being celebrated in every school house in the county. Aside from the usual excellent exercises of this day, the people are having discussions of the needs of the several communities and are making plans to strengthen the weak places in the community life and to bring the community to the front along the lines of progress.

To-morrow is County Progress Day. Everybody is invited and urged to come to the court house and enter into the discussions of the matters pertaining to the General Progress of the County.

While the County Committee has been handicapped to a considerable extent by the lack of sufficient time to prepare for the occasion and by the necessary absence, during last week, from the County of Superintendent David H. Brown, an excellent program has been arranged.

Among those who will deliver addresses are, Rev. R. P. Ellington, Superintendent David H. Brown, Prof. O. S. Dean, Col. Geo. P. Miller Prof. Frank H. Brown and others.

The meeting promises to be an interesting one. The subjects to be brought before the people of the county are live ones and are worthy of the best thought of everybody interested in Jackson County.

The ladies of Sylva will serve dinner at the court house.

DR. SENSABAUGH DEAD

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The many friends among the older citizens of this county will regret to learn of the death in Knoxville Sunday Nov. 15th of Rev. Dr. J. H. Sensabaugh at the age of sixty-nine years. He was born on the Graves farm near town and was for years a Methodist minister but a throat trouble caused him to quit the ministry and take up the practice of medicine. He was a scholarly man and wore his honors well. Dr. Sensabaugh was a brother of Mrs. D. D. Davies of Cullowhee, Jackson County.

C. H. Kitchen and daughter, Miss Janie, went to Ashville yesterday. Hayes Hooper was here from Big Ridge, yesterday, on business.