

Suspected Murderer a Victim of Mob Law

Protesting His Innocence, Charles Craven Dies at the End of a Rope at Leesburg, Va

Leesburg, Va., July 31.—Charles Craven, who was accused of the murder of William Wilson, an ex-Confederate soldier, was lynched by a mob this evening. Craven was captured this morning near the scene of the crime, and was conveyed by Sheriff Russell to this place.

The sheriff reached the jail with Craven at 1 o'clock and shortly after a large crowd assembled and began an assault upon the jail. The outside and inside doors were burst open. The mob then led the prisoner from the cell to the outside of the jail. A rope was placed about his neck and, surrounded by 150 determined men, Craven was led down the turnpike toward Herndon. It was first intended by the mob to take Craven to the scene of the crime. It was feared, however, that there would be interference on the part of the militia, which had been ordered out. It was therefore decided, when the mob was about one mile east of Leesburg, to lynch Craven then and there. He was first given an opportunity to explain the details of the crime.

Craven denied all knowledge of the murder of Wilson and protested his innocence to the last. He denied also that he had burned Smith's barn about two years ago, for which he was found guilty and sent to prison. After Craven had spoken the rope was thrown over the limb of a tree by the roadside. Many hands grasped it and swung him up clear of the ground. Within a minute at least five hundred bullets were fired into the body. The body was left hanging on the tree and the crowd quietly stood around and watched the negro's body sway in the breeze. There was some talk of the negroes in the neighborhood taking steps toward avenging Craven's death, but the whites of the locality are prepared.

Craven was captured about 9 o'clock this morning on the farm of Albert Stanton near the town of Belmont, about two miles from Ashburn station. One of the searching parties had learned

that he had been in that vicinity Wednesday night and managed to get close on his trail. The whole section was scoured thoroughly.

In crossing a farm four of the men noticed a negro lying under a straw rick. "What are you doing here?" demanded one of the men, but the only answer was a sullen reply from the negro who had apparently been awakened by their approach. Craven, for it was he, readily admitted his identity and made no attempt to escape.

The negro showed plainly the result of his experience in the field since the murder last Monday. He was attired only in overalls, having lost his hat, coat and shirt in his travels. His bare body was badly scratched by bushes, he had no weapons of any kind, and was weak and exhausted for want of food.

Craven was taken to Ashburn station and as the news of his capture spread a crowd began to gather, and before noon over 200 men were collected about the building. Threats of lynching were freely made and Craven was in mortal terror. He kept well back in a corner and it was easy to be seen that he expected at any minute to be taken out and executed.

Shortly after noon Sheriff Russell, who took charge of the prisoner, decided to take him to Leesburg, and, boarding a passing train, brought him to this place. When Craven was captured the posse of Sheriff Gordon, led by the blood hounds of detective "Hurricane" Branch were following a trail at another place it was understood the negro had been yesterday morning.

Drought in Alabama

Montgomery, Ala., July 31.—Reports received here by the weather department indicate a serious condition of drought in Alabama. Less rain has fallen in the state during the past three months than in any other similar period since 1839. Crops in many sections have been almost destroyed. In the middle western counties, which are large producers of cotton, the ground has not been thoroughly wet since April. Early corn has been damaged beyond recovery and the prospect is that the food crop will give a light yield.

Reidsville Newspaper Man Married in Fayetteville

Warm Contest Expected for Democratic Nominations in Cumberland—Call for Convention

Correspondence of The Morning Post.

Fayetteville, N. C., July 31.

Yesterday beautiful St. John's Episcopal church, its interior illuminated with wax candles, and its altar rich and striking in floral decoration, was the scene of an impressive marriage ceremony, performed by the rector, Rev. Isaac W. Hughes, which united Mr. John T. Oliver, one of the editors of the Reidsville Review, and Miss Lillian S. Lineberry of this city. Miss Lineberry, who presided with matchless skill at the organ, and the bride party entered the church in the following order: Ushers, Messrs. R. M. Williams of Maxton, S. B. Horne, N. H. McGeachy and El. M. Pemberton. Kate Harper, niece of the bride, a pretty tot 5 years old, crossed in white, trimmed with pale blue ribbon, bearing the prayer book; the maid of honor, Miss Mabel Elliott, very lovely in white organdy and picture hat, with flowers and ferns; the bridesmaids, escorted by her brother-in-law, Mr. J. S. Harper, who gave her away, in an exquisite gown of gray crepe de chine and pink hat, carrying a bouquet of bride roses; the groom, entering from the vestry door, with his brother and best man, Mr. Meanton Oliver of Reidsville. After their honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Oliver will make their home in Reidsville.

Mr. O. C. McLelland, chairman of the Republican county executive committee, has called the Cumberland convention on Saturday, August 23d, to elect delegates to the state, congressional and judicial conventions.

F. M. Lindsay, foreman of the working force of the American Telephone Company, was yesterday tried in a magistrate's court and bound over in the sum of \$75 for forcible trespass on the lands of J. L. Jackson, a farmer of Rockfish town, Va. Days ago Lindsay had Jackson arrested for assault as he was making his way with his telephone line across the latter's land, and

the defendant has become plaintiff with the above result.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Moore, who have been living for some time at Tarboro, will make Fayetteville their future home, Mr. Moore having taken a position as bookkeeper with the Cotton Seed Oil Company.

Cumberland county politics bid fair to be stirring and spectacular this year, and the convention which nominates the ticket will need plenty of ice water and elbow room. It is generally believed that there will be no opposition to the present ticket of the superior court, Major A. A. McKethan, but there will be contests over the offices of treasurer, register of deeds and sheriff—the last, whom! Much interest will center on the legislature, on the candidates for which the Anti-Saloon League will make a strong fight.

At the last meeting of the board of aldermen, after a heated discussion and a close vote, it was decided to discontinue the present street lighting system as unsatisfactory and to proceed at once in the erection of an electric plant.

Sudden Death at Depot

Greensboro, N. C., July 31.—Special—Miss Augusta, daughter of H. W. Southem of Arden, Rockingham county, aged 18, died in the depot here at four o'clock, ten minutes after being taken from a train. She became ill with heart failure at Summertown, ten miles distant, dying before a physician could reach her. Her older sister was with her, both going to a health resort near Thomasville. The body was tenderly cared for. It will be expressed home by the first train.

BRYAN ON THE IOWA PLATFORM

New Haven, July 31.—William J. Bryan will leave for New York tomorrow at Mountain Park Saturday morning. He will be before the Chautauqua assembly. He took a plunge into Long Island sound this morning before breakfast. Today he spent in riding around the Yale university buildings and seeing

the suburban beauties of the Elm City. To an interviewer he said: "I am glad to see that the Republicans of Iowa have admitted the necessity for tariff reform, for while it will strengthen the Republican party in that state for the coming campaign it will ultimately weaken it, for the Republicans cannot permit any reform in the tariff without endangering their whole system, and they cannot abandon the protective system without annihilating themselves."

Of the platform adopted by the Connecticut Economic League, in its state convention here yesterday, Mr. Bryan said: "It is a good platform in the main. The demands for direct primaries and for voting machines are commendable, but because these things give the people a direct voice and because they tend to prevent fraud."

Wife Was a Man

Elkhart, Ind., July 31.—A sensation was created in court here today when Fred Westfall, arraigned for wife desertion, declared that he had hit his wife because she proved to be a man. The couple were married July 5 at Garrett, Ind. They lived together for two weeks when Westfall left and the "woman" returned to "her" mother at Syracuse, Ind. It is expected "she" will return to prosecute the charge of desertion when the mystery may be cleared up.

Three Hundred Rebels Killed

Pekin, July 31.—The victory of Szechuan reports that his troops have killed three hundred rebels and one of their leaders near Chentu. The board of foreign missions believes that this blow will end the rebellion.

One French and one English gunboat are proceeding to Chanking at the request of the viceroy of Szechuan.

SECOND OPERATION

Condition of Mrs. Pritchard is Less Favorable

A telegram from Asheville, received here last night, says: "The friends of Senator and Mrs. Pritchard, who have heard with gratification of her favorable progress, were alarmed today by a report that unfavorable symptoms had developed, necessitating the immediate performance of a second and more serious operation. This operation, it is expected, will be performed tomorrow at Barker Memorial Hospital."

Senator Pritchard, who has taken rooms at Biltmore to be constantly near his wife, is the recipient of many messages of inquiry and sympathy from national friends. He again stated today that under no circumstances would he enter into the political campaign as early as the date set for his Pittsboro speech on August 5 and that he would accept no engagements to speak at any point or any date for the present."

CORNER IN OATS

The Law Steps in as the Last Horn Blows

Chicago, July 31.—The restraining grip of the law was upon the "corner in July" as the last day of trading in the option passed into history.

A new sensation marked each hour, chief of the developments being the refusal of Judge Chytrous to dissolve the temporary injunction granted to Walter Thorburn & Co., prohibiting the conduct of a corner in the cereal by James A. Patten and his associates. When the final hearing comes up next week the time for the law's interference will be gone. The effect of the judge's action was to tie up \$200,000 or more on deposit as margins, leaving to litigation the determination of the question whether the price of the option has been made fictitiously and fraudulently high. As to the board of trade, which had been temporarily prohibited from "endorsing down" the injunction, the injunction, however, were ordered not to ask for such margins, leaving the situation practically unchanged.

The price of July oats went up to 65 cents as against a close of 63 last night. A purchase by Harris, Gates & Co., at 67½ "for the account of whom it may concern" was supposed to be a test case for use in the coming litigation that will determine whether today's settling was fraudulently made.

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The above excursion Henderson to Morehead City, N. C., will be one of the best excursions of the season, affording two whole days and nights at the seashore.

Surf bathing, fishing and sailing was never better at this famous resort.

All excursionists will be granted a special rate of \$1.50 per day at the Atlantic Hotel, which is one of the best seaside resorts on the Atlantic coast. Train will leave Raleigh 11:11 a. m. Monday, August 4th, arriving Morehead City 4:00 p. m. same day. Returning leave Morehead 4:00 p. m. August 6th. All who go are assured a safe and comfortable journey.

For further particulars call on any agent of the Southern Railway or write to T. C. STURGIS, C. T. A., Fayetteville St. Office, Raleigh, N. C.

LABOR CANDIDATES

The Organizations Intend to Be Represented in Congress

Indianapolis, July 31.—It developed here today that the United Mine Workers of America are backing the candidacy of John P. Reese of Iowa for the Democratic congressional nomination in his district and that the same forces that brought about the nomination of James E. Truesdale in the eighth Indiana district are at work in other states to nominate candidates who are in sympathy with organized labor, if not members of it. It is said the miners are handicapped in the case of Judges Keller and Jackson in the matter of impeachment because they have no man in congress who would bring such a proceeding, and this want has been felt so often before that it was determined to get men in congress who are members of labor organizations.

When Truesdale was elected police judge at Alexandria over a 500 Republican majority because he is a member of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, organized labor in the district began to boom him for congress and he captured the nomination. He had worked in Virginia before coming here and the striking Virginia miners addressed letters to the friends of organized labor in the eighth district urging Truesdale's nomination.

Reese's candidacy in Iowa is being backed by the Mine Workers particularly, and labor in general, and the mine workers of course believe they will have men in the next congress who will take a stand for them in such cases as have arisen in West Virginia.

PERSONA NON GRATA

Senator Burton Not in Favor at Oyster Bay

Topeka, July 31.—United States Senator Burton is having much trouble in getting his recommendations passed by President Roosevelt. Recently the United States marshal died and Burton recommended W. H. Mackey. Heretofore this office was distinctly the patronage of the senator. Now Senator Burton is informed that he must get the endorsement of the six Republican congressmen also.

Senator Burton's standing with the president is not good since the Republican state convention here. That convention let out with a strong endorsement of Roosevelt's Cuban policy, and it was about that time that Burton had joined the sugar beet Senators. He desired, however, to retain the president's confidence and he took a rather unique plan to secure it. Burton wrote Colonel D. R. Anthony of Leavenworth, who was chairman of the platform committee, requesting the colonel to write to the president and tell him he (Burton) wrote the Cuban resolution. This angered Colonel Anthony, who went to Washington and placed Burton's letter in the president's hands. Burton had nothing to do with the Cuban resolution in the state convention, and Colonel Anthony so informed the president. Since that time Senator Burton's recommendations have generally been turned down.

COL. PHIL AVIRETT DIES IN MARYLAND

Cumberland, July 31.—Colonel Philip Avirett, aged 36 years, son of Rev. James Battle Avirett and brother of Colonel John W. Avirett, state game warden and editor of the Cumberland Times, died at the Western Maryland hospital here this morning of typhoid fever.

Colonel Philip W. Avirett was a man of brilliancy, although for some years past a victim of ill health. He was a native of Winchester, Va., but became a citizen of Maryland at an early age and entered journalism in which he had a wide career. He first started on the Cumberland Times, but later, with former Governor Frank Brown, he established the Carroll County Democrat at Westminster. His health breaking down, he went to San Francisco, where he became news editor on the San Francisco Examiner. Later he read law and was admitted to the bar. He once owned the Hagerstown News and in recent years did much syndicate work. Colonel Avirett was also identified with railway projects, particularly the Pennsylvania Midland, and was once consulting counsel to the Governor of North Carolina. [This refers to ex-Governor Russell.] He lived for a time in Washington. His body will be taken to Winchester, Va., for interment next Saturday.

He left a widow and a son, who are now in exile.

There was a big picnic at Fuquay Springs yesterday which was attended by a large number of people from the surrounding country. Quite a party from Raleigh, McCallers and other stations on the Raleigh & Cape Fear Railroad participated. Every one enjoyed the day immensely.

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SUMMER RESORTS and SUMMER HOMES

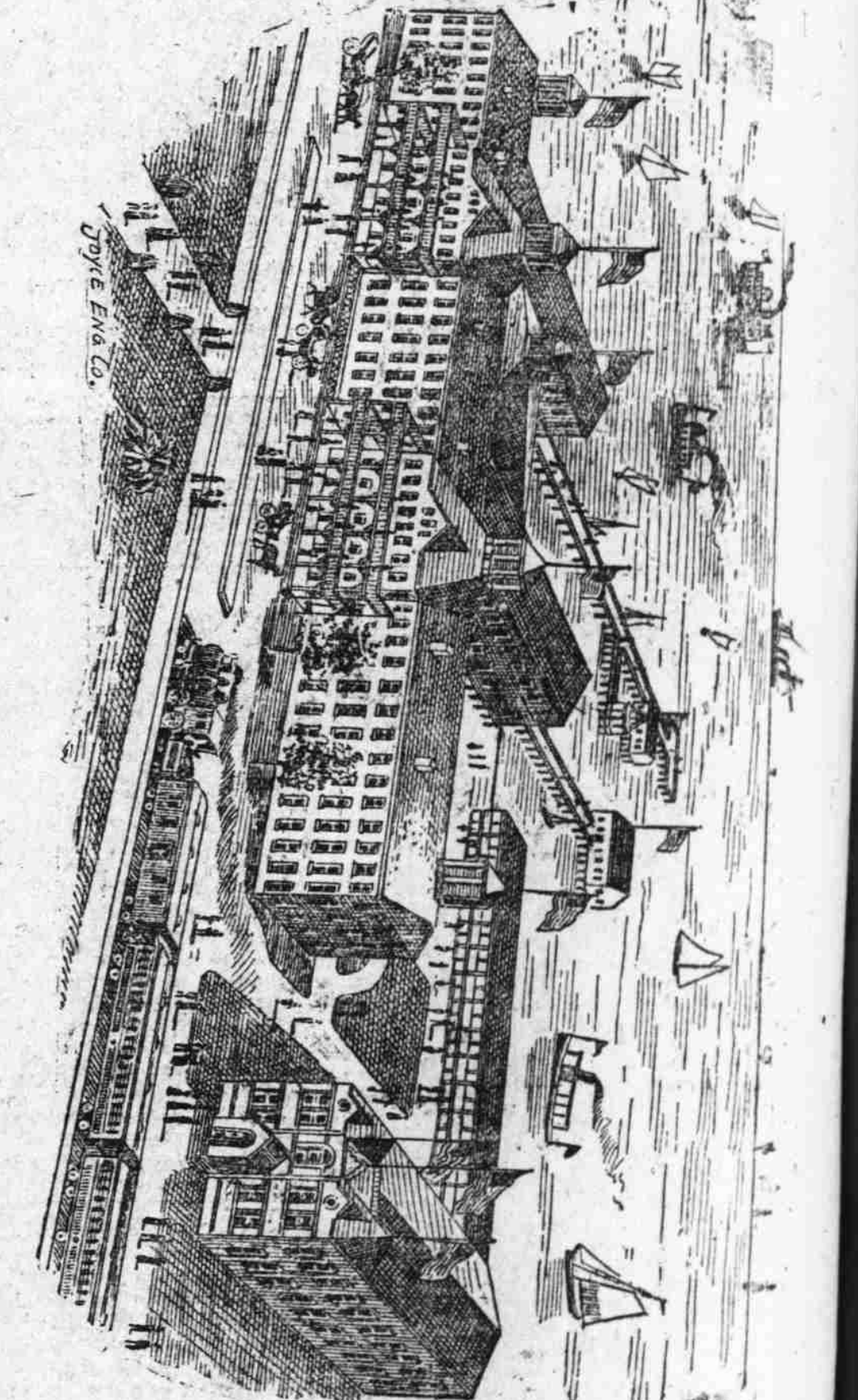
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ATLANTIC & NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD COMPANY. TIME TABLE No. 27.

To Take Effect Sunday, June 8, 1902, at 12:01 a. m. Eastern Standard Time. Supersedes Time Table No. 26, of June 5, 1901.

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| 7:15 Ar. M. City Depot | 7:03 " " " |
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| Stop Signal. Regular Stop. Telegraph Station. | Stop Signal. Regular Stop. Telegraph Station. |
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