



HORRIBLE BRUTALITY

Friendless Greek Beaten, Robbed and Placed on Western Rail- road Track

SKULL FRACTURED BY UNKNOWN ASSAILANTS

Unable to Speak an Intelligible Word, Vic- tim of Fiendish Deed Hovers Between Life and Death

A fearful case of inhuman brutality inspired by some infernal miscreant's greed came to the attention of the public late yesterday afternoon when a Greek, his skull fractured by a blow from behind, was found on the Western railroad track, where he had been left to die by the man or men who robbed and beat him.

The Greek was found unconscious, bleeding, and frightfully wounded, some distance from Salisbury by Mr. Murph, who brought him to this city. He was taken to the sanitarium but the rules of the institution precluded his admittance and he was taken to the warehouse of Overman and Company, where Mayor Boyden had everything possible done to alleviate his sufferings. Drs. Trantham and Crump examined the man's head and found the skull badly fractured. He had been hit from behind with some blunt instrument, probably a club. The wound was dressed and bandaged and all in their power was done to lessen

his sufferings. He had been robbed of everything about him but spoke nothing but Greek and nobody could be found to interpret his feeble words. When the Sun man saw him, he was leaning forward apparently in great anguish, though he had been given opiates, and was moaning like a wounded animal.

It had been found impossible to get anything from him as to how he was hurt or who did it and there is absolutely no trace of the criminals who will, probably, never be known. Mayor Boyden decided that the only thing that could be done was to remove the victim to the county home and this was done. It is feared that he will die. Unknown, friendless, in a strange land, to be thus robbed, beaten and left to apparently inevitable death, his is the saddest case that has come to public notice in many a long day. The worst feature about it is the practical certainty that those responsible for the fiendish deed will escape the hanging they so richly deserve.

PITTSBURG ORCHESTRA

Musical Festival in Charlotte Thursday, April 27.

Salisbury people who are musically inclined are much interested in the spring Musical Festival to be given at the Academy of Music, Charlotte, Thursday night, April 27, and it is probable that a number from this city will attend. The concert will be given by the famous Pittsburgh Orchestra of 70 musicians, Emil Paur conductor, and Mme. Gadski, soloist.

Low rates have been secured from the Southern railroad. Of the coming event the Charlotte Observer says:

Musicians will know without the telling that this orchestra ranks with the Boston Symphony Orchestra and with the late Theodore Thomas' Chicago. They are three of the greatest musical organizations in the world. The Pittsburgh Orchestra was organized in 1865, by the aid of rich people of that city, such as Andrew Carnegie, who supplied the musical hall, and others.

Its daily expenses is so their representative informs an Observer reporter, is never below \$2,200. Every man in it is an artist, paid as much as is necessary to secure his services. It is now under control of the Pittsburgh Art Society.

No such orchestra has ever been South before. This is a tentative tour and upon its success or failure will largely depend the programmes for the future. Charlotte is one point in its itinerary which will not lie down. The other big attractions here were appreciated and the North Carolina public will hear this concert. Mr. Schloss is due special credit for obtaining this attraction for Charlotte; for a big guarantee had to be placed before the engagement could be made. The people composing the orchestra will leave Washington on a special train at 11:15 the 25th, and will arrive in Charlotte at 10 o'clock the next

morning. Except the inmates of Madame Gadski's car, they will be turned out and quartered at hotels, so that the cars may undergo the only cleaning which they will get during the trip. At 10 o'clock Friday, they will leave for Biltmore House, where they will hold a concert that night.

The train carries its own chefs, stewards, porters, etc. Part of its cargo are two concert grand pianos and an upright piano on Madame Gadski's car, the latter to accompany her daily vocal practice.

The madame always takes with her Miss Lottie, her daughter, of 11 years and her governess. This car is their home for most part of the year. Emil Paur, the conductor, Mr. Loudon Charlton, the manager of the tour, and his wife, and George H. Wilson, the regular Pittsburgh manager, who is with the orchestra merely for his own pleasure, are also on the Gadski car, "The Pilgrim."

THE ODD FELLOWS TONIGHT

The Odd Fellows of this, the 14th, district are coming in the city on every train and a large and indications are that an large and enthusiastic meeting will be held this evening and tonight. All Odd Fellows are cordially invited and expected to attend. Evening meeting opens at 4 o'clock and the night session will begin at 7:30 o'clock. Both meetings will be held in Cordon Lodge Hall.

BALL AND SUPPER

Grand Ball and Ice Cream supper in honor of the Queen of the Carnival will be given in the hall over the Wachovia Bank at Spencer on Friday evening April 21st.

The Washington Italian band will furnish the music and nodoubt this will be the nicest thing of its kind ever given in Spencer. Ladies are admitted free, and refreshments will be free.

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REPORT COLD SPELL

Much Damage Done to Fruit and Wheat by Cold Snap Sun- day and Monday

Reports from different sections of the county indicate that much damage has been done by the recent cold snap.

Wheat in the Southern section is said to be killed and the fruit badly damaged.

Other sections are pretty much the same, only in some parts the wheat does not seem to be hurt.

Following are reports from other sections of the State, and surrounding states:

Fort Valley, Ga., April 18.—The fruit in this section is not damaged to any appreciable extent. The valley winds of Saturday night and Sunday had so thoroughly dried everything that there was little frost except in low and exposed places. Beans are reported killed, and some tomato plants.

W. C. Wright, an extensive planter here, says that his peaches are not hurt. W. W. Henderson states that he has made a careful examination today and finds no damage. It is believed that some peaches were hurt by the frost of ten days ago, but the damage is small, and from present indications there will be a large crop in this section.

Newbern, April 18.—The frost of last night worked great, damage to all truck crops in this vicinity. Reports from Craven, Carteret, Pamlico, Jones and Onslow are to the effect that the potato crop is ruined and peas and beans are killed except where protected. Ice formed here, and in some sections is said to be a quarter of an inch thick. The mercury registered 31 degrees here. The extent of the financial loss is estimated to be thousands of dollars.

Wilmington, April 18.—Ice formed throughout the east Carolina trucking belt last night; but owing to high winds there was very little, if any, frost. Temperatures falling from 33 to 36 degrees are reported from various points in the belt, and the damage to the crop cannot yet be estimated to Irish potatoes and beans suffered most. Strawberry blooms were cut off in places, but the damage in that particular is not regarded as serious. Continued cold and frost again tonight is predicted and the greatest anxiety prevails among the truckers.

Roanoke, Va., April 17.—Reports from southwest Virginia indicate that if the fruit crop was not killed last night it is in great danger tonight. The mercury fell today to 23 in some places, and at Radford there was an inch of ice. Snow fell at intervals today. There was a heavy fall of snow in Roanoke and vicinity Sunday that lasted several hours. If the wind lays tonight the fruit will probably be doomed.

Goldsboro, April 18.—The cold wave which has prevailed in this section since last Wednesday evening reached a climax last night, when it frosted heavily. Ice was also plentiful in many places. Beans, peas, Irish potatoes and other garden plants were hurt. Beans have been hurt to an extent of half the crop. Strawberries are also hurt, but not to any serious extent.

Gainsville, Ga., April 18.—Almost the entire peach crop in northeast Georgia was killed by last night's freeze. Growers state that there will not be enough peaches grown for a single shipment. Vegetables of all kinds were hurt. The thermometer registered 29 degrees and ice was half an inch thick.

Columbus, Ga., April 18.—There was considerable frost here and in this section this morning, and a good deal of young cotton was killed. Young vegetables were also killed. It is cold tonight, and frost again tomorrow morning would not be surprising.

EASTER MONDAY AT MANNING

Exercises and Egg Hunt Planned for the Children

Manning April 17.—There will be an Easter Missionary exercise at Salem Easter Monday of more than ordinary interest. The songs and recitations by the band of missionary children will be excellent and inspiring.

Following is the programme arranged for the occasion by Mrs. Rev. Trexler and Mrs. Lit Lingle, president of the society:

- 10 a.m.—Anthem—Bless the Lord.
- Devotional exercises by pastor.
- Hymn—Rockingham.
- Recitation—Concert prayer—Children in the Church.
- Hymn—Martyn.
- Recitation—The Flowers Keep Easter Christ and the Children.
- What the Lillies Tell.
- Hymn—Olive's Bow.
- Recitations—Bring Flowers, The Crowning Day, Let me go.
- Dialogue—If We Were Chinese Children.
- Hymn—Bealoth.
- Recitations—Easter Messages, The Fairest Lillie, To-day.
- Hymn—Greenville.
- Address—Rev. Theo. C. Parker.
- Chant—Lord's Prayer.
- Missionary Hymn.
- Collection.
- Doxology.
- Benediction.

After an intermission for dinner of one hour, the Egg Hunt, the chief attraction for the children, will take place. Dozens of eggs will be concealed about the church yard and it will be very amusing for the spectators watching the children find them.

A severe cold wave, accompanied by snow flurries, struck us yesterday evening, doing considerable damage to orchards, gardens, truck patches etc.

The councilmen of Salem will hold their quarterly meeting Saturday evening. At 3 p.m., preparatory services will be conducted by Rev. Trexler, followed by the administration of the Lord's Supper on Sunday at 11 a.m.

S. L. Elliot is away this week attending Federal court in Statesville. Mrs. Caroline Bost is almost entirely kept in bed now with inflammatory rheumatism in her feet.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Briggs were over in Unity Sunday with relatives.

W. L. S.

BOOK CLUB TO MEET

All Members Asked to be Present Tomorrow Afternoon.

The Christian Reid Book Club meet with Mrs. Richard Henderson tomorrow (Wednesday afternoon) at three o'clock. This will be an important business meeting and each member is earnestly asked to be present. It may also be said that this will be the last meeting of the Club that Miss Rankin attends before her marriage and resultant removal from Salisbury.

COTTON GOING DOWN

Price Today is 7 1/2 and Farmers are Not Holding

The highest quality of cotton sells today at 7 1/2 cents and there is plenty of it offered. Many of the farmers have given up the fight and are unloading, being either forced to do so by need of money or fearing that the price will go still lower. The outlook is said by the buyers to be gloomy and they are freely predicting that it will not be long before six cents will be the price.

PINK DOGWOOD

Beautiful, Bush. Blooms in Yard of Captain Price

Pink dogwood is a decided rarity and the fact that there is a splendid bush in bloom in Capt. Price's yard has caused many to go over Fulton street way just to see it. The blossoms are of an exquisite shade, rather a full than a delicate pink, and the bush is a thing of wonderful beauty.

Preaching Tonight

The Rev. V. Y. Booser will preach at St. John's Lutheran church tonight.

A man could build a twenty-story office building while a woman is making her plans to wash her hair.

FESTAL WEEK IS NOW PROPOSED

Performance of The Mikado and Children's Cantata as Features

REHEARSAL TONIGHT

All Members of Mikado Cast Urged to be Present at Opera House

People who had been so long anticipating the promised performance of "The Mikado" by local talent and were disappointed when it was called off may cheer up for there is every probability that it will be given after all. A Mr. Tyler, who is skilled in putting on entertainment of a theatrical nature, is in Salisbury and it is likely that the opera will be given under his direction. Mrs. F. F. Smith requests all the people who have been rehearsing for it to be at the opera house at 8 o'clock tonight for rehearsal, at which time it will be finally decided whether the performance will be given. If the decision is favorable, the opera will be given in about two weeks.

At the same time it is proposed to have a festal week, similar to the one given two years ago when an all fresco performance of "As you Like It," a Japanese evening and one of vaudeville made such a happy combination. Mr. Tyler is arranging a children's cantata, which will, in all probability, be given out of doors, the same weeks, as the performance of "The Mikado." Both entertainments will be under the auspices of the Confederacy and the proceeds will go toward the monument fund.

SALISBURY-SPENCER ADMITTED

Decided at a Meeting in Charlotte Yesterday

J. M. Maupin received a telephone message from Charlotte, this morning announcing the fact that the Salisbury-Spencer base ball team had been admitted into the Virginia Carolina league.

The managers of the different teams held a meeting at Charlotte yesterday and decided on the home team. The fight was between Winston and Salisbury-Spencer.

Manager Strouthers who will take charge of this team will be here tonight to make final arrangements for the team to enter the field.

If the people will give the management the proper support there will be some good ball played in this city this summer.

JEFFERSON STILL HOLDS OUT

West Palm Beach, Fla., April 18.—The condition of Joseph Jefferson, the veteran actor, is unchanged at eighty-three this morning. His physician, while being of the opinion that he is nearing the end, states the sufferer is holding up well for a man of his age.

West Palm Beach, April 18.—Ten a.m.

The doctors attendant upon Joseph Jefferson said he was sinking slowly but appears to revive at times, due to general nervous disposition which shows great vitality.

J. W. GATES' FATHER DEAD

Chicago, Ill., April 18.—Asel A. Gates, father of John W. Gates, died this morning at his home here, he was eighty-five years old. He had been afflicted with a complication of diseases incident to old age. His wife, and only surviving child, John W. Gates, were at his bedside at the hour of death.

RETAIL CLERKS MEET

The retail clerks will hold their regular meeting tonight at Machinist Hall.

Refreshments will be served and all members are requested to be present as this is to be a very interesting meeting.

POLICE NEWS

Case up Before His Honor at Yesterday's Court

Two negro women were fined \$5.00 each for being disorderly on the street. One woman owed the other 10 cents and when she was asked for it, got very mad and used some language of a rather lurid hue.

An out of town citizen who is a cripple and a confirmed drunkard was let off on condition that he leave town. He accepted the condition and when last seen was fulfilling his part of the contract.

A white woman from Greensboro, was brought up for being drunk and disorderly and was also let off provided she would go back to Greensboro.

She agreed to go but how she is going to get there is hard to tell she did not have sufficient clothing in which to appear at court and had to borrow some from another woman. Such utter degradation as this is rarely seen in Salisbury. The mayor said he did not want such characters in town and ordered her out.

A negro boy who deals extensively in old bones or anything else he can steal, was before his honor for swiping two cow hides. He disclaimed all knowledge of the hides but the evidence against him was too strong and he was given 60 days on the road.

A white man from a near by village got loaded and was run in. He admitted that he got drunk but said he had always been a gentleman. Mayor Boyden told him if he was a gentleman and could prove it he would let him go. He was taken to a friend in the city by Capt. Steele and proved the assertion and was liberated.

CARNIVALS ARE ROASTED

Raleigh News and Observer Preaches to Spencer

The Raleigh News and Observer, which doesn't seem to like street fairs has the following to say of the Carnival at Spencer:

Spencer has grown so fast that it is a pity it did not grow past the carnival idea without stopping. However, it has one booked for this week, and will libe and learn. Like an individual, a town needs recreation and pleasure but not license. It is the gala influence of the name, the laughter in the word which makes the contemplation of a "carnival" palatable to public taste. It needs only one experience, however, for any town to see the dress of gambling and indecency beneath the tinsel farce. Raleigh has had one and knows.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Mr. Jim Aaron is visiting his friend Thomas Mock.

Mrs. John Whitehead has returned from a trip to New York.

Mrs. J. M. King and son leave tomorrow night for Nashville Tenn., to visit Mrs. King's father.

The Rev. R. R. Sowers, who preached last night at Haven Lutheran church, Chestnut Hill, will preach again tonight.

A Fogleman, left this morning for Liberty, N. C. where he was called by the illness of his father, who is 72 years of age and has been suffering with sciatic rheumatism.

BASE BALL AT CHARLOTTE

There will be a game of ball this afternoon at Charlotte between Livingstone College of Salisbury and South Carolina State College, at Latta Park. The South Carolina team is said to be the champion of the state and some good ball will be played. The teams will meet in this city tomorrow at Livingston College.

A DEBILITATED TOWN

(From the Dallas News.)

"Yes, sir," said the native proudly, "we have an electric car line around the entire city, which we call the belt line."

"You don't mean to say that your town is so run down that it wears an electric belt?"