

MEDLIN BEING HELD IN MONROE JAIL AS RESULT OF TRAGEDY

Police Officer of This City Shot and Killed Mark Simpson on Farm Near Monroe Thursday.

HEARING SET FOR MONDAY

Officer Surrendered Telling Sheriff He Killed Simpson in Self-Defense—Three Eye-Witnesses.

A. B. Medlin, police officer at the Hartsell Mill here, who killed Mark Simpson in Union county Thursday, will be given a hearing in Monroe on Monday, county officers here have been advised.

Sheriff R. V. Caldwell, Jr., talked with Sheriff Fowler, of Union county, over long distance telephone Thursday night and the Union officer said Medlin would be held in jail in Monroe until after the hearing at least.

What action will follow the hearing is problematical. Medlin claims that he shot Simpson in self-defense, according to information received here. There were three eye-witnesses to the tragedy, all of the witnesses being relatives of the dead man.

The officer's version of the affair is to the effect that he left Concord Thursday morning and went to his farm in Union county, on which Helms lives, to arrange for the furnishing of feeds and supplies. When he arrived, he found Helms and his wife planting onions near the road.

The three had been engaged in an amicable conversation for some time, when a car came down the road, in which was a man and a woman. It stopped suddenly, the man alighted, drew off his coat, laid it in the car, and advanced rapidly toward Medlin rolling his sleeves.

He remarked "you have been talking about me, and I am going to talk you half to death." "Let's not have any trouble," the officer said he replied, but the man had a pistol in his hand.

In continuation of the officer said that he being sixty years of age, and the advancing man being about thirty-five and much superior physically, he thought it necessary to defend himself. He drew his blackjack, which was seized by the aggressor, and next he drew his pistol to shoot him dead.

Two shots were fired, taking effect in the abdomen. His assailant loosened the blackjack and died. He then asked Helms if this man was named Simpson, and what was his given name. He stated that he thought that the man shot was a Simpson, but that he did not know what Simpson it was.

Officer Medlin went immediately to Monroe and gave himself over to officials there. Officer Medlin is well known in Union county and has many relatives in Mecklenburg. Simpson leaves a wife and several children.

Associated Press Report. Monroe, March 26.—A. B. Medlin, Concord policeman and deputy sheriff of Cabarrus County, was today held without bail charged with the fatal shooting of Mark Simpson, Union County farmer yesterday.

Medlin, after giving himself up to the authorities, said that he shot Simpson in self defense when the latter approached him in a threatening manner while he was at the farm. Simpson's brother-in-law, Briton Helms, lives on the place.

STORM WARNINGS. Colder Weather is Predicted For North Carolina Cities Tonight. Washington, March 26.—(AP)—The Weather Bureau today issued the following storm warnings:

Advisory 10 a. m., Northeast storm warnings displayed on Atlantic coast, from Boston, Mass., to the Delaware Breakwater, and northwest warnings south of the Delaware Breakwater to Jacksonville.

"Disturbance of increasing intensity over North Carolina will move north northeast and cause strong northeast shifting winds south of the Delaware Breakwater."

An Old Building. Gastonia, N. C., March 26.—(AP)—A story and a half leg structure, 130 years old, was recently moved here by Caleb A. Spencer, veteran house mover. Its removal became necessary due to the construction of a lake in the vicinity of the house.

Another Coach For University. Chapel Hill, N. C., March 25.—(AP)—James N. Ashmore, until a year ago head coach of DePaul University, today was named as head baseball and basketball coach, and assistant football coach at the University of North Carolina.

Leiter and Wife Photographed in Court



Here is a camera study of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leiter of Chicago, made as they sat in court fighting the suit brought by Leiter's titled sister, Lady Marguerite Hyde of England, to remove him as trustee of their father's \$50,000,000 estate.

SNATCHES SCHOOL TOTS FROM ARMS OF TORNADO

Aged Texas School Teacher Saves 300 Children From Harm by a Tornado.

Orange, Texas, March 25.—Three hundred children were snatched from the path of a tornado that swept the village of Orange Field, Texas, today and were brought safely through the rending gale by Superintendent P. N. Powell, of the Orange Field school.

Not a child was hurt, although the tornado caused the death of one person and the injury of eight others as it tore through Orange Field and the oil field west of here, doing damage estimated at \$500,000.

Superintendent Powell, a modest gray-haired school teacher with his left arm off, had just lined up his charges this morning when he heard the ominous roar and saw the approaching funnel-shaped cloud which meant a tornado. The children were ready to enter the school building.

Quickly the superintendent ordered the children to march to the auditorium instead of to their separate rooms. Putting the heads of whimpering and trembling boys and girls and smiling into their frightened faces as they huddled together in the auditorium, the fifty-year-old school man went calmly about his duty as the tornado neared the building.

Above the howling storm came the sound of timbers splintering and glass shattering as the school house was struck and rocked on its foundation. Not a child among the 300 cried out in warning the boys and girls that under no circumstances were they to scream or start a panic.

One wall of the brick structure was torn loose by the twisting wind, but not a child was scratched. Had the children been caught in the open many probably would have been killed.

Glenn Keowan, 24, a tool dresser, was killed in the oil field. None of those injured is in a serious condition. A dozen derricks in the oil fields were demolished permitting the wells to run wild.

The principal damage in Orange Field was in unroofed buildings. W. L. Jamieson, of San Antonio, an aviator, related after the storm passed how he raced ahead of the tornado for fifteen miles. He sighted it near Beaumont while looking for a landing field. He got to the ground and his passenger, Mrs. Stella Johnson, had just stepped from the plane when the wind picked it up and dashed it to pieces. Neither Jamieson nor Mrs. Johnson was hurt.

Embroidered Egg Shells. Paris, March 26.—The hobby of M. de Scherviller, of Rouen, is to embroider egg shells. From 600 to 2,000 holes are made in each shell, and all knots are made on the inside of the shell. Sometimes an egg shell will take eighteen months to embroider and will cost \$1,000.

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SAFRIT HEARING IS SET FOR NEXT WEEK

Young White Man Who Is Alleged to Have Attacked Girl Wednesday Still in Jail Here.

Ralph Safrit, 22 year old white man, who is alleged to have attacked a white girl Wednesday afternoon, will be given a hearing on Monday, county officers stated this morning.

Safrit is being held in the county jail here, and no effort will be made to secure freedom for him until after the hearing, it is said.

Sheriff R. V. Caldwell, Jr., who arrested Safrit at the home of his grandfather, Martin Safrit, made further investigation of the case Thursday. During the day he conferred with relatives of the girl in the case and stated this morning that Safrit probably will be charged with attempt at rape. The warrant, it is said, will be issued at the request of the girl's relatives.

Safrit admits that he concealed himself in a patch of woods and seized the girl as she passed, but claims it was all staged as a joke. He made no attempt to hold the girl when she started fighting, he said.

The case has aroused much interest throughout the county, relatives of Safrit and the girl being prominently known.

THE COTTON MARKET. Opened Steady at Decline of 1 to 7 Points and Sold 6 to 9 Points Net Lower.

New York, March 26.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady at a decline of 1 to 7 points, and sold about 6 to 9 points net lower during the early trading, under liquidation by early buyers, Southern and local sellers.

Cold rains were reported in the South, which was considered unfavorable for the coming crop start, but the prospect was for clearing weather, while there is plenty of time for crop preparations and there was probably some selling on the easier late cables from Liverpool. May eased off to 18.71 and October to 17.90 and the market was within 2 or 3 points of these prices at the end of the first hour.

Private cables from Liverpool reported some trade calling in the market there, but complained of a continued demand for cotton cloths and yarns.

Cotton futures opened steady. May 18.75; July 18.28; Oct. 17.67; Dec. 17.35; Jan. 17.27.

NOT TO CONSIDER THE SINK-SHACKLETT CONTROVERSY. State Prison Trustees Meet in Raleigh Today But Not for That Purpose.

A WORD TO OUR ADVERTISERS.

Our good friends, our advertisers, are asked to help us give all better service by observing strictly our rule that copy for all advertisements requiring extra space or a change in form of the ad, be in the office the afternoon before the day the ad is to be inserted. Copy for ads, requiring the regular space will always be changed if received in the office by 10 A. M. on the day of publication.

PERU AND CHILE ACCEPT AMERICA'S OFFER

For the Settlement of the Tacna-Arica Controversy. Washington, March 27.—(AP)—Secretary Kellogg announced today that the governments of Peru and Chile had accepted the good offices of the United States for the settlement of the Tacna-Arica controversy.

Arrangements for the procedure of mediation, the secretary said, are now going forward in correspondence between Washington, Santiago and Lima.

The secretary would make no further explanation of the latest turning in the long controversy, and State department officials professed not to know whether the resort to diplomatic settlement foreshadowed abandonment of the plebiscite now in progress under an arbitral award to President Coolidge.

Presumably that question among others is involved in the correspondence between the three governments as to methods of procedure under the mediation plan.

The normal method would be for each of the disputant governments to name either its diplomatic representative in Washington or some other person to meet with Secretary Kellogg for a round table discussion of all aspects of the dispute.

It would then be the task of the secretary to offer such assistance as he could toward an agreement between the two countries regarding the sovereignty of the two provinces.

Both Chile and Peru Have Accepted. Arica, Chile, March 26.—(AP)—Both Chile and Peru have accepted an offer of the good offices of the United States for solution of the dispute over the sovereignty of Tacna and Arica, it was announced here today. It is expected the problem will be taken up with Washington at the earliest moment. Meanwhile the plebiscite award will remain in abeyance pending the outcome of the attempt for a direct settlement.

With Our Advertisers. Go to the opening dance at the Meritt Shoe Store tonight. This new store will have a free grand opening dance tonight, dancing from 9 to 12. Music by Clay Dean and his Tar Heel Orchestra. Souvenirs will be given both to the ladies and men. A free pair of full fashioned hose will be given with every pair of ladies' shoes sold and a free safety razor with every pair of men's shoes. See big ad in this paper. The store will open for business tomorrow morning.

Series No. 57 of the Cabarrus County B. L. & S. Association is now open at the office in the Concord National Bank.

Seven more days of the big Easter Sale at Efrid's. Men's and boys' Easter suits, the new spring silks, women's ready-to-wear, silk hose, shoes and every kind of Easter apparel. Friday and Saturday will be Roller Days in the Grocery Department of the Parks-Bell Co. In their new ad, today you will find listed numerous specials that are real money savers to every householder. Don't miss this sale. Better go today.

The Cabarrus County Union Supply Co. will give a free ticket to the Cabarrus County Fair this fall with every ton of 164.4 fertilizer you buy from it for cash. See ad, for particulars.

The smartest and newest footwear is ready for Easter shoppers at the Markson Shoe Store.

You will find a wonderful selection of rugs at the Bell & Harris Furniture Co.

Ivey's is now showing a handsome line of footwear for Easter. You will find here many charming novelties, and all that is new. Prices range from \$3.45 to \$10.00.

You will find the lubrication system of the Ford cars simple and dependable.

You will find several interesting specials for Saturday at the J. & H. Cash Store. See ad.

Beer?



This is Gen. Lincoln C. Andrews, head of the federal government's prohibition enforcement organization, who is taking a "swing around the circle" to study present methods of enforcement and see if it is possible to draw the lines any tighter. If he is convinced that prohibition in its present form cannot be enforced it is said that he will recommend modification of the law to allow the sale of light wines and beer.

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RESIGNED AFTER BITTER STRUGGLE. Had Been Pillar of Reichstag and For Number of Years Had Been Leader of Centrist Group.

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Herr Fehrenbach was born at Wellendingen, in the Black Forest, on January 11, 1852, the son of a public school teacher. His first advanced studies were in Catholic theology, but he later changed to the law.

He began practicing law at Freiburg in 1882, from the first taking an intense interest in politics, in which he was affiliated with the centre party. In 1888 he entered the Baden provincial assembly of which body he was elected President in 1907. Since 1903 he has served continuously in the reichstag, the duties of which he absorbed him so that he dropped his provincial seat in 1913 to devote himself exclusively to national politics.

In 1918 he became chairman of the reichstag ways and means committee, and later in the same year was elected to the presidency of the reichstag. He also presided over the post-revolutionary assembly held at Weimar in 1919, his exhibition of parliamentary skill in trying situations.

Upon the exit of the Socialists from the cabinet in 1920 he became chancellor. Shortly after the formation of his cabinet the Spa conference was held, at which the Germans for the first time after the war faced their former enemies over the council table.

When at the London conference in 1920 the allies presented an ultimatum to Germany giving her six months to fulfil their terms regarding reparations she decided to resign, and did so in May 1921, leaving the field to his Catholic colleague, Dr. Wirth.

Since then he has continued as one of the pillars of the reichstag, succeeding to the leadership of the centrist delegation when Dr. Marx in 1923 became chancellor.

CHARLES BOYCE DEAVER IS DEAD AT BREVARD. Was Prominent in Republican Rank, and Was Successful as Lawyer.

Ashville, March 26.—(AP)—Charles Boyce Deaver, 52, lawyer, and influential citizen, died early today in a hospital at his home in Brevard. He had been in declining health for eight months.

Mr. Deaver was widely and favorably known throughout western North Carolina, and was accounted a leader in the Republican party. At one time he was a member of the general assembly from Transylvania county. He was one of the most successful lawyers in this part of the state. Mr. Deaver was a member of the Baptist Church and belonged to the Masonic Lodge. Funeral and burial will take place at Brevard tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

SEEK CHARLIE SAUNDERS, AN ESCAPED CONVICT. Negro Is Alleged to Have Attacked White Woman as Anderson, S. C., Thursday.

Anderson, S. C., March 26.—(AP)—Charlie Saunders, escaped negro convict, who was being sought here today for an alleged attack upon a white woman at a local mill village last night, reached Greenville early today in a taxi, information from Greenville sheriff's office said.

The negro was believed to be making an effort to reach North Carolina, the Greenville sheriff said, after a conference with Sheriff W. A. Clump, of Anderson county. Sheriff Clump and his deputy left Greenville today for Charlotte, where the negro was believed to be going.

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