

MORE CRUEL DEEDS LAID TO CRANFORD BY NEW WITNESSES

Carl Leake Said While He Was Prisoner Cranford Forced Him to Whip Negro Who Said He Was Ill

LATER CRANFORD BEAT THE NEGRO

Witness Said Cranford Drew Ring in Road and Forced Negro to Stand in It to Get Beatings.

Albemarle, N. C., July 16.—(AP)—Testimony to the effect that former county superintendent of convicts Nevin C. Cranford, forced a sick prisoner to get into a circular ring drawn upon the ground and made another lash the man until he was exhausted was introduced today in the trial of the former "whipping foreman."

Carl Leake, former prisoner under Cranford, who is charged with the murder of James Terry and James Howell, both convicts, said that on one occasion John Quincy, a negro, became so sick that he could not work, and that the "foreman" drew a "ring" in the road and had the negro order him to whip the sick man with a stick, and that he did so until he was exhausted. Then the "foreman" whipped the man more, he declared.

Said He Helped Cranford Bury Body. Albemarle, N. C., July 16.—(AP)—Another story of cruel deeds alleged to have occurred in the prison camp of Stanly County was painted before the jury trying N. C. Cranford, former "convict boss" in Superior Court here today.

Carl Leake, negro, who served under Cranford, testified that he had beaten another negro, John Quincy, until he fell to the ground exhausted, and that Cranford had administered further punishment. Leake said Quincy died during the night, and that on the following day he helped Cranford take the body into the woods and secretly bury it.

On cross examination Leake admitted he had offered to aid Cranford whom he liked, and had gone to work for him when he had served his sentence. He said he had become acquainted with the "foreman," and went to the state's attorney with his story.

NORTH CAROLINA'S BEAUTIFUL WOMEN

This Is What Thomas Dixon Says Impresses Him Most in North Carolina.

Asheville, July 15.—Feminine pulchritude stock up one hundred per cent. in the beauty market here today following the declaration of Thomas Dixon, Jr., son of the famous novelist, playwright and orator, that he has seen more beautiful women and pretty girls since his arrival here a few days ago than in all his years spent in Hollywood, Calif., where he wrote scenarios and was connected in executive capacities with several of the large motion picture companies.

Mr. Dixon, when asked what has impressed him most forcibly since his arrival here, replied without hesitation "North Carolina's beautiful women."

This brought a smile from the interviewer, but Mr. Dixon stuck to his statement, further declaring: "I have just arrived from Hollywood, where the most beautiful women are supposed to be found, and I should know what I am talking about. I can truthfully say that I have seen more pretty girls here since I arrived than in all my years spent in Hollywood. I can't understand why Flo Ziegfeld and the studios do not open a recruiting office in North Carolina and save the unnecessary expense of beauty contests that are held throughout the country."

Elms Crew Want Bonds Reduced. (By International News Service) Wilmington, N. C., July 16.—Another chapter in the ill-fated rum boat Elma's case Monday when Judge I. M. Meekins, of the eastern North Carolina federal district court, hears habeas corpus proceedings by which members of the crew are seeking to have their bonds of \$10,000 each reduced.

The hearing will take place at Elizabeth City. Counsel for the defendants told International News Service today that they would plead to have the bonds reduced. The bonds of the thirteen men were fixed by United States Commissioner Louis Goodman here.

Members of the Elma's crew are charged with violation of the prohibition law and the immigration act. The Elma was captured at sea by the United States coast guard cutter Manning with 4,000 cases of choice liquor aboard.

Peanut Hulls as Fertilizer. (By International News Service) Arlington, Ga., July 16.—Five hundred bushels of corn on six and one-half acres is the anticipation of W. A. Bass, whose demonstration of fertilizing land with peanut hulls has been successful this year.

These hulls, offered to any farmer who would haul them away from the International Vegetable Oil Company, were used to fertilize the corn patch by Bass only as a demonstration. Some of the land will yield 200 bushels an acre, Bass says.

Aged Indian Visits Georgia. (By International News Service) Athens, Ga., July 15.—Returning to the scene of her childhood days, Zinky Mendes, 102-year-old Indian woman, who left Georgia eighty years ago, is an interesting visitor here.

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Just How Blast Started



This hose, attached to a hydrant at the centre of the arsenal blast at Lake Denmark, N. J., was evidence that the explosion was started by a fire, caused by lightning, instead of the lightning ignited explosives direct. Marines were believed to have been fighting the fire when the blast came.

NORTH CAROLINA AT THE SESQUI-CENTENNIAL

Major Phillips Planning Program for the Philadelphia Exposition. Sir Walter Hotel Tribune Bureau

Raleigh, July 16.—Excellent progress is being made in the preparations for North Carolina's participation in the Sesqui-Centennial at Philadelphia, according to Wade H. Phillips, director of the department of conservation and development from Philadelphia after having spent a few days making detailed arrangements as to the opening up of North Carolina's headquarters and bureau at the exposition. The North Carolina departments participating are the State highway commission which, under the direction of Chairman Frank Page, is preparing the largest contour and highway map of North Carolina ever produced; the department of education will furnish up-to-date cards showing the progress of North Carolina in education; the department of agriculture will likewise be represented by pictures and periodicals; the State historical commission will offer copies of historical documents and also have for distribution a pamphlet showing North Carolina's part in the fight for independence; the State health department will graphically portray the health progress of North Carolina; the department of conservation and development will also furnish literature as to natural resources and industrial progress of the state.

"North Carolina has a fortunate location," said Mr. Phillips, "adjoining R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company whose both will be one of the chief attractions in the agricultural palace."

According to Mr. Phillips, work on the completion of the exhibition buildings is going on at a rapid rate and the exposition should be entirely finished by the middle of August. A record breaking attendance is expected during the months of September and October.

Splendid exhibits are already completed. Among them are the exhibits of Japan, British Colonies and the United States government. Herbert Hoover's department of commerce has one of the most remarkable and critical exhibits ever shown. All governmental departments of Washington have most interesting exhibits.

THIRTEEN MORE BANKS HAVE CLOSED DOORS

Total Closing in Florida and Georgia During Week is Now 85. Atlanta, Ga., July 16.—(AP)—Thirteen additional banks have closed their doors in Georgia and one in Florida since yesterday. The closing brought the total number that have suspended operations this week to 83 in the two states.

The state banking department in making the announcement attributed the closings to the bankruptcy proceedings of the Bankers Trust Company which served as fiscal agent for a string of 120 banks in the two states.

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Meets Tragic Death With a Runaway Team.

Winston-Salem, July 15.—Irvin Tedder, 25, met a tragic death when he fell between a team of horses near Tobaccoville Wednesday, according to advices received here today.

Tedder, it is said, was riding on top of a load of grain when he fell between the horses and ran, dragging Tedder for some distance. His neck was broken.

Missing Radio Man For Evangelist Thought To Be In North Carolina

ORMISTON IS NOT AT TAYLORSVILLE Search for Kenneth G. Ormiston May Be Extended to Taylorsville, in This State. WITNESS STATED PAIR TOGETHER

At Least Telegram Sent to Him There Has Not Been Called for Though It Came Week Ago.

Taylorsville, N. C., July 16.—(AP)—A telegram has been in the hands of the Campbell Hotel management here for more than a week addressed to Kenneth G. Ormiston, the manager of the hostelry here told the Associated Press today. J. L. James, manager of the hotel, said that the telegram for Ormiston came "one day last week," and that he had been "holding it for him." He added that he understood the chief of police of Taylorsville received a telegram in connection with the message today. The officer could not be located, but it was said that he was thought to have gone to Statesville this morning. It could not be learned whether his absence was in any way connected with the message. Mr. James said that "no stranger" had been registered at the hotel since the receipt of the telegram for Ormiston.

THE COTTON MARKET

First Prices Were 7 to 13 Points Higher and Net Gains of 20 to 28 Points Followed.

New York, July 16.—(AP)—The cotton market showed renewed firmness at the opening today on continued buying by houses with Wall Street connections and other interests who appeared to be influenced by talk of low temperatures in the South, and favorable weather for the spread of insects or boll weevil.

First prices were 7 to 13 points higher and net gains of 20 to 28 points followed. Cotton futures were sold at 17.51, or into new high ground for the present movement.

Offerings increased around the 27-28 cent level, and the market eased off 4 or 5 points from the best toward the end of the first hour under realizing and a little local selling on the weather which showed less precipitation and higher temperatures in the South.

Cotton futures opened steady, Oct. 17.39; Dec. 17.43; Jan. 17.41; March 17.59; May 17.76.

With Our Advertisers.

House frocks 70c at the J. C. Penney Co. See illustration and description in a new ad. today.

Goodbye tires are sold exclusively in Concord by Yierke & Wadsworth Co. Read ad, and see why.

Suits that keep you cool in hot weather can be had at Hoovers. Priced from \$10 to \$30.

Cline & Moore sell fresh country produce and many other things. Read about it in new ad. today.

Fibre Furniture is ideal for summer. Sold by Bell & Harris Furniture Co. Read ad. today.

Three big days—Friday, Saturday, Monday—of the 88-Cent Sale at Ehrhard's. Best merchandise for less money, is what they say.

Big shipment of watermelons just received by the Parks-Belk Co. See ad. today.

Many specials are offered in the Big Birthday and Clearance Sale of the Parks-Belk Co. Read big ad. today, for these specials.

Defunct Bank Official Commits Suicide

Atlanta, Ga., July 16.—(AP)—J. R. Smith, president of the Atlanta Real Estate Board, and a director of the Bankers Trust Co., for which a receivership was designated in Federal district court here yesterday shot himself at his home in Morningside, a suburb, early today. Mr. Smith was dead when found.

Good manners are made up of little sacrifices.

Under Fire

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OPPORTUNITY OFFERED IN TEXTILE INDUSTRY

Great Need for Trained Men, Says Dean Thomas Nelson.

Raleigh, July 16.—Never before in the history of America have more opportunities been offered to the young men of the South than are available today for any who desire to enter the textile industry, according to Dean Thomas Nelson, of the textile school at State College here, in an article written by him appearing in the July issue of Commerce magazine published nationally known magazine published in New York, with an international circulation in the financial and commercial world. In this article Dean Nelson presents the unusual advantages now open in the textile field in the South and particularly in North Carolina. He says in part: "It has been stated by an authority that the South contains a greater combination of natural resources and advantages than any other equal area. Seemingly arising from a slumber and coming into a knowledge of her greatness, she is rising forth in her might to prove to America and to the world that this Southland is a place of progressiveness and power as well as a region of beauty."

Dean Nelson calls attention to the fact that the South is at present in the midst of a period of great industrial and commercial development without paring in the history of the resource, its ample supply of high grade labor, its location in the center of the cotton belt, near to the source of supply in the manufacture of textiles, with the prediction that within a few years this section is destined to become one of the greatest industrial areas of the country.

"And the young men of today are the ones who will be the leaders in this coming development. There is a rare opportunity and a bright future for the young men who enter the textile industry in the South today," he says.

In the balance of his article Dean Nelson traces the rapid growth of the textile industry in the South, and tells of the enlarged facilities of the textile school at the State College for training the young men of the State to enter this important field.

State Jobs Not Soft.

Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel Raleigh, July 16.—In order that those who think being an employe of the State is a soft job, with nothing to do but sit around and answer the phone occasionally, may really know that those who work for the State are kept busy and then some, a record was kept of the various duties performed in the office of H. H. Sisk, commissioner of pardons. This record shows that during the month of June 1, 197 letters were written, 55 telegrams sent, 424 telephone calls answered—including those of newspapermen—and 517 callers were received. In addition 142 other matters were attended to and eleven applications for pardons or paroles investigated, making a total of 2,346 items in 30 days. Nice soft job, eh, wot?

Baptist to Meet at Ridgecrest.

(By International News Service) Ridgecrest, July 16.—The annual Baptist laymen's conference will be held at Ridgecrest the last week in July under the auspices of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South.

This was the announcement received here today from Dr. J. T. Henderson, of Knoxville, Tenn., corresponding secretary of the organization.

Prominent Baptist from all parts of the South are expected to attend the conference, it was said.

Whales Stop Vessel.

(By International News Service) New York, July 15.—Passengers of the Steamer Van Dyck today had a real "fish story" to tell. A school of a hundred whales blocked the path of the Lamport and Holt steamer forty miles off the New Jersey coast.

Unable to pass the whales, the steamer was delayed twelve hours. When she landed in New York, Capt. John Bryn was first to tell the "world's greatest fish story."

Usefulness is the rent we pay for our room on this earth—many of us are heavily in arrears.

THE WEATHER

Fair tonight and Saturday, slightly warmer tonight in extreme west and in the interior of north portion, somewhat warmer Saturday. Moderate variable winds.

PHILIPPINE FOLK SHOW PREFERENCE FOR INDEPENDENCE

At the Opening Session of Legislature Both Houses Adopted Resolution of Independence.

WANT PRESIDENT TO KNOW VIEWS

Ask That Carmi A. Thompson Carry to President Coolidge Desire of the People For Freedom.

Manila, P. I., July 16.—(AP)—At the opening session of the Philippine legislature today both houses unanimously adopted a concurrent resolution in favor of "immediate absolute and complete independence."

The resolution requests that Carmi A. Thompson, personal representative of President Coolidge, who is investigating conditions on the island, convey to the President "the constant and intense desire of the Filipinos for immediate, absolute and complete independence."

Senator Hadji Butu, the Moro senator, voted in favor of the resolution.

DR. HALL HEARD AGAIN AT THE FREEMAN TRIAL

State Seeks to Break Down Testimony That Defendant is "Unsound Mentally."

Charlotte, July 16.—(AP)—The State today recalled Dr. James H. Hall, Richmond alienist, to the stand in the trial of Mrs. Nellie Freeman, "razor slayer," for further cross-examination.

Frank R. McInch, attorney for the prosecution, attempted to break down the testimony of the alienist, offered yesterday when he had said he believed Mrs. Freeman of "unsound mentality."

At the opening of court this morning the defendant appeared for a minute or so to identify three letters which she wrote to Alton Freeman before they were married.

Pests Damaging Cotton.

(By International News Service) Little Rock, Ark., July 16.—The greatest damage to crops ever felt by the farmers of the state.

That, in brief, is the opinion expressed by officials of the extension department of the University of Agriculture here after a survey of the crops for cotton pests.

At least one and in many cases three or four pests are destroying the crops unless immediate attention is given the situation in all sections of the state the loss will be the greatest in the history of Arkansas, the officials reported.

Estimates of the damage in several counties ran from 10 per cent, as high as 70 per cent of the crop. J. C. Barnett, acting assistant director of the bureau, has made several surveys of the Arkansas counties and says the situation is alarming.

Hunt for Liquor at Biltmore.

Asheville, July 16.—Francis Winthrop has started a "liquor hunt" in the vicinity of Biltmore.

Here is the way it all came about: A squad of policemen raided a house on Sherwood road, near Biltmore, and they found a lone man sitting near a table on which lay about a pint of moonshine.

Alarmed, the house's sole occupant jumped to his feet, rushed to the door, jumped down an embankment, stumbling on a stone and breaking a leg. A few minutes later Winthrop was taken to a hospital.

Officers believed the man's alarm was caused by his knowledge of more liquor in the neighborhood—and they are still searching for it.

Society Service Report.

Lake Junaluska, July 16.—(AP)—We are now confronted by a "highly organized, subtle, determined, reckless effort to discredit national prohibition," the society service committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, found in its report of the annual society service conference, which has just ended. An endorsement of the 18th amendment, and appeal to churches to deliver all their force for prohibition, promotion of negro welfare, and the expression of alarm over youthful delinquency were features of the conference, according to the report.

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