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PRO CHARGED WITH ASSAULT ON LITTLE GIRL

Charge Being Heard In Case Against Ezra Steel—Two Special Venires Called—Court Proceedings.

Case against Ezra Steel, a colored man, charging him with criminal assault on little Bettie Bugher, seven weeks ago, near the Winston plant, was started in the superior court Thursday.

Only Simple Assault. In the case against Will Hairston, charged with assault on Edwin Lewis with intent to commit a felony, the defendant pleaded guilty to a charge of simple assault and was fined \$5.

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sault with a deadly weapon, Charlie was acquitted and Will was taxed with the cost.

In the court last Wednesday Dave Allen, colored, entered a plea of not guilty of murder in the first degree, as charged in the bill of indictment, but guilty of manslaughter. This plea was accepted by the state and Allen was sentenced to the county roads for a term of four months.

A verdict of guilty was returned in the case against Frank Waiser, charging him with carrying a concealed weapon.

A sentence of two years on the county roads was imposed on James Wrenn on the charge of abandoning his wife.

J. A. Reid pleaded guilty to the charge of selling liquor in two cases and was sentenced to sixty days in jail in one and prayer for judgment was continued in the other.

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12 NEGROES KILLED IN WRECK; 80 ARE INJURED

CHARLOTTE, July 27.—A colored excursion over the Seaboard from Durham, bound for Charlotte with eleven cars, met head-on with a freight train in the Hamlet yards at eleven o'clock, killing twelve or more and seriously injuring about eighty negroes.

It is reported the train crew, with exception of one white fireman, escaped without injury. The fireman had both legs mashed and is in a serious condition. The injured are being rushed to Charlotte hospitals on an extra train.

The train was being run as the section at twelve o'clock.

First Report of Wreck. HAMLET, N. C., July 27.—An excursion train from Durham, N. C., on the Seaboard Air Line, bound for Charlotte, rushed head-on into a freight train in the yards here at 10:30 today and instantly killed five negroes and wounded between fifty and seventy-five. Many of the injured will die.

The train, which ran into the freight, was a negro excursion train. All the dead and practically all the injured are negroes.

WATERSPOUTS ON COAST. Unique Spectacle Witnessed by People at Morehead City—Five Big Towers of Water Prance Along Shore.

MOREHEAD CITY, July 27.—Peering from windows, on trains, in hotels, standing in groups in the rain at Camp Glenn, Beaufort and Morehead City great crowds of visitors and home folks yesterday afternoon between 3 and 4 o'clock saw an unusual sight here and new even to old timers. There was a series of waterspouts, five in all, which formed some three miles south of Morehead on the coast.

The first was a great one, from fifty to a hundred feet in diameter at the base as seen from the Atlantic hotel, and growing smaller towards the top was finally lost in the clouds. Soon a second waterspout, a smaller one, formed near the first and it absorbed the larger. Millions of gallons of water were sucked up into the sky and soon the rain increased. An hour later the sun was shining and there was no sign of the phenomenon.

PROGRAM COMPLETED FOR STATE REUNION OF VETERANS. WILMINGTON, July 27.—The committee appointed to arrange the details for the annual state reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, which will be held in this city on August 2nd and 3rd, has completed its work and the program is announced.

W. P. Stacey, Esq., of this city, has been asked to deliver the address on Wednesday, August 2, and has accepted. The address of welcome will be delivered by Mayor Joseph D. Smith and the response will be delivered by Col. W. H. S. Burgwyn of Weldon. The meeting will be called to order by General Julian S. Carr, of Durham, state commander, at 10 a. m. On the stage will be the generals of the state, their staffs, the sponsors and maids of honor, as well as the honor guests. The boxes will be reserved exclusively for the Cape Fear Chapter. Daughters of the Confederacy. J. Van B. Metts has been appointed chief marshal for the parade.

STATE PRIMARY IN MISSISSIPPI NEXT TUESDAY

JACKSON, Miss., July 27.—One of the most spirited political campaigns that Mississippi has seen in years entered upon its final stage today. Next Tuesday a state-wide primary will be held for the endorsement of a candidate for governor and other state officers to be chosen at the next election.

Public interest centers almost wholly in the contest for the Senatorship. Senator Leroy Percy, whose term will expire in 1913, is a candidate for reelection. His rival opponent in the fight for the toga is ex-Governor James K. Vardaman, one of the most aggressive and picturesque politicians that Mississippi has turned out in many years.

C. H. Alexander is the third entrant in the senatorial race. Alexander has developed a considerable following, but most unbiased onlookers are of the opinion that the real fight will be between Vardaman and Percy, with a close finish and the probability that a second primary will be necessary to a choice.

Earl Brewer, a prominent lawyer of Clarksdale, will be nominated for governor without opposition.

SALES SMALL BUT PRICES GOOD ON THE S. C. MARKETS. Reports from the South Carolina leaf markets are to the effect that sales are small yet, but prices are from \$1 to \$3 higher per hundred than last year at this time. The crop in the bright belt is very short, in fact, it is said to be fully 50 per cent less than the 1910 crop.

There is "nothing doing" on the Winston market these days, but primings will begin to come in before long.

The crop in this section is expected to be the shortest in many years. At this time it looks as if the market will sell ten million pounds less than it did during the past year.

CRIMINALLY RESPONSIBLE. Finding of Coroner on "Wreck of Federal Express."

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., July 27.—Coroner Wilson, in his finding on the wreck of the Federal Express here on July 11, in which fourteen were killed, finds the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad criminally responsible and that Engineer Curtis was criminally negligent.

The wreck was caused by the train's taking a short cross-over at a high rate of speed, which threw the engine and six cars off the track onto a street below. The road is found negligent because they maintained a short cross-over on a fast express trunk line track, and Curtis because he ran his train at such a high rate of speed over the cross-over.

TAFT STATES HE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROCEEDING

In Message to Senate He Says He Caused the Opening of Alaskan Lands. LIGHT ON CONTROLLER BAY AFFAIR.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—President Taft sent a special message to the Senate yesterday shouldering full responsibility for opening for settlement and development 12,800 acres of the Chugach National Forest Reserve in Alaska—an incident which has become to be known as the "Controller Bay Affair."

In concluding he brands the now famous "Dick to Dick" postscript as a "wicked fabrication" and says that Charles P. Taft, whose name appeared in the alleged postscript, "has no interest in Alaska, never had, and knows nothing of the circumstances connected with this transaction."

Moreover, the President adds, his brother does not even remember that he ever met Richard S. Ryan, representing the Controller Railway & Navigation Company.

As for eliminating the land in question from the reserve, the President says that there is no danger of the Controller Railway & Navigation Company or any other interests monopolizing the field, and nothing to show that this company is in any way connected with the Morgan-Guggenheim interests. Hence, he believes that in eliminating the land he has acted for the best interests of the nation.

"I wish to be as specific as possible upon this point," says the President in his message, "and to say that I alone am responsible for the enlargement of the proposed elimination from 320 acres to 12,800 acres, and that I proposed the change and stated my reasons therefor. The thing which the Territory of Alaska needs is development, and where rights and franchises can be properly granted to encourage investment and construct a railroad without conferring exclusive privileges, I believe it to be in accordance with good policy to grant them."

Accompanying the President's message are documents, reports and maps bearing on the case, as requested from him by a Senate resolution of June 27th last. "I deem it wise," says the message, "to accompany the submission of these documents with a statement in narrative form of the action of the administration with the reasons therefor." Here follows a description of Controller Bay and environs and a map showing the effect of withdrawing the much mooted 12,800 acres from the reserve. The President then takes up the thread of his narrative as concerns the events that precipitated the controversy.

NEGRO WILL DIE ON GALLOWES IN OKLAHOMA. OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., July 27.—Spending his few remaining hours of life in reading the Bible and smoking cigarettes, John Henry Prather, a young negro, is awaiting the call to the gallows tomorrow morning. The near approach of the day of execution and the knowledge that there is little or no probability of a reprieve have caused no noticeable change in the demeanor of the condemned man.

Prather and four other young negroes were convicted of the murder of W. H. Archie in this city last April. Prather has never denied firing the fatal shot, saying he committed the murder after he and his companions had robbed Archie so he could "be able to say he had murdered a white man." The execution of the other four negroes has been delayed by the appeal of their cases to the high court.

BARN AND TWO MULES BURNED IN WILKES. Mr. Israel Miller's barn, some three miles east of Wilkesboro, was destroyed by fire Monday night about 11 o'clock. His two fine young mules were burned to death, and his wagon, feed, etc., were destroyed. Mr. Miller is of the opinion that some rogue after eggs or chickens dropped a match and started the fire. —Wilkesboro Chronicle.

PRESIDENT BARRETT TO THE FARMERS' UNION

To the Officers and Members of the Farmers' Union: A week or so ago I emphasized that the next great sphere of development within the Farmers' Union would be in the direction of strengthening enterprises, and of persuading the average farmer to use business methods, and to co-operate in distributing and buying, as well as producing and selling agencies.

That era is upon us. To prepare for it, we must recognize a few fundamental facts. If we do not, it will be a case of waiting several years until the splendid machinery built up by this organization is available to bring the best results for its individual and collective members.

Get the proper officers! Don't judge the right man by his handshake, the fact that he will say mean things about people you dislike, or by his ability to put a feeling on you, like at a revival meeting. Choose him for his fitness for the special job, and try to find out if he has ever demonstrated it before. Once you get him in, stick to him, so long as he does well, until doom cracks. Give him a chance, even if he does make a few minor mistakes, or does a few things you don't like. The probability is, you would do twice as bad in his shoes.

If the thing falls through—go at it again! Try hard enough, and you can easily number the private enterprises that have failed. But that didn't deter the men who made the failures, or other men, from starting over again. If your manager, or leader, proves crooked—turn him out and get another! Don't cut off your nose to spite your face, just because of one more scandal in the world.

Indas betrayed Christ, but today the Christian religion is conquering the world. Benedict Arnold sold out to the British, but George Washington and the cause of freedom triumphed.

There is no use on earth to start an enterprise with a burst of enthusiasm, then fail to patronize it, or hold its officers to a strict accounting.

You'd better not begin enterprises of any nature unless you're prepared to stick to them, to tide them over rough places that come to every business and all men, to cleave to them, as a man promises to cleave to his wife, "for better or worse."

These are a few of the principles that get down to the root of things. Since we are to develop into a great business organization, we might as well begin by learning them by heart, without waiting to have them pounded into us by blather and costly experience.

CHAS. S. BARRETT.

TELEPHONE COMPANY'S "TWO NUMBER METHOD". The Southern Bell Telephone Co. has completed delivering the new directories to the subscribers in Winston-Salem and vicinity. A card on the directories calls the subscribers' attention to the "Two Number Method" the Southern Bell Co. has just introduced for handling calls between Winston, Greensboro and High Point.

DECISION IN WILEY CASE EXPECTED IN FEW DAYS

WASHINGTON, July 27.—President Taft hopes to take up the Wiley case tomorrow. For several days he has carried the papers and recommendations of Secretary Wilson back and forth with him between the White House offices and the executive mansion. Owing to other urgent matters he has been unable to look into them. He expects to go over them hurriedly tonight and will talk the matter over with Mr. Wilson tomorrow. His decision, however, is not expected for a few days yet.

PARADISE OF PANHANDLERS. Eight Thousand Beggars Pick Up \$40,000 a Day in New York. William Inglis, in Harper's Weekly.

New York is the beggar's paradise. In that great hive of the old rich, the new rich, and the get-rich-quick, he cannot go wrong. If he cares to work steadily and industriously at his craft (old Gypsy cant word for trade or craft), he can easily "earn" \$5 or \$6 a day. If he is "sloughed"—arrested—for begging, he is merely transported to a pretty, greenwarded island, swept by harbor breezes, where he sleeps in Father Knickerbocker's bed for five or ten nights and lives like a fighting cock on three good meals a day. Thence he emerges refreshed and resumes his craft. Easy? Too easy. It's really a shame to take the money. The work is play, the sort of theatrical play we all instinctively love; to twist the face into a tragic mask, to enact the part of a long-suffering victim of ill-luck, to start the victim's heartstrings all a-flutter with sympathy—and then to accept the victim's money with the air of a proud and patient martyr. 'Tis rare sport indeed.

Not one word of this writing is about the deserving poor. God forbid. But one does not find the deservingly poor posing in the streets for alms. They hide their want and sorrow; they starve in secret; their tragedy becomes known only when the coroner reports—unless by rare chance some tireless seeker has discovered the case through search in a poor neighborhood. Indeed, the curious thing is that of an army of 7,000 or 8,000 street beggars who pick up \$30,000 or \$40,000 a day in the metropolis, the vast majority have drifted in from distant states. The estimate of the number of these panhandlers is by James Forbes, secretary of the National Association for the Prevention of Mendicancy. He knows. He has studied these beggars for years, not with the cold curiosity of the scientist, but with a lively human sympathy and understanding. And here's a miracle—he has actually persuaded some of the gentry to go to work for a living; real work, at which they earn far less than they could make at the graft. So much can wisdom and kindness do in arousing the sense of self-respect long dormant, or perhaps never before felt, in these people of the pavement. But the few who have promptly opened fire on them with their revolver and saved the payroll of \$5000.

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BULLETS ROUT FOUR BANDITS. Paymaster Saves \$5000 Roll, But Is Wounded Himself. STUBENVILLE, Ohio, July 27.—When Superintendent W. H. Werker, of the Glen Run mines, was held up by four men, he promptly opened fire on them with his revolver and saved the payroll of \$5000.

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POLICE ROUTED WITH EGGS. Chicago Women Use Product of the Men As Weapons. CHICAGO, July 27.—Women sympathizers joined in the rioting in the "strike" of the peddlers against the anti-noise ordinance, which prevents them from shouting their wares on the streets.

Three persons were seriously injured and scores were attacked in riots which occurred in every section of the city. Wagon owned by peddlers who refused to join the strikers were overturned, the contents dumped into the streets and the owners were made a target for a fusillade of stones thrown by women. With eggs as weapons, a crowd of women attacked a squad of policemen and put them to flight. Produce merchants say that the fruit and vegetable trade has decreased 75 per cent since the beginning of the strike, three days ago.

An appeal will be made to Mayor Harrison to have the law repealed.

WED A MILE UNDERGROUND. FORT COLLINS, Col., July 27.—The opening of the Laramie-Poudre tunnel, one of the longest and most difficult tunnels ever built for irrigation purposes, was celebrated. Many prominent men of the state were guests of Contractor J. A. McIlwee, of Denver, who constructed the long tunnel, and they were present this afternoon and witnessed the marriage where the last shot was fired by J. B. Alexander, the night electrician at the bore, and Miss Della Stevenson, of New York City. The point where the ceremony was performed is fully a mile below the surface.