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Directory.

Madison County. Established by the Legislature Session 1860-61. Population, 26,123. County Seat, Marshall, N. C. 1846 feet above sea level. New and modern Court House, cost \$33,000.00. New and modern Jail, cost \$15,000.00. New and modern County Home, cost \$10,000.00. Officers: Hon. Jas. L. Hyatt, Senator, 33 District, Burnsville, N. C. Hon. J. C. Ramsey, Representative, Marshall, N. C. W. H. Henderson, Clerk Superior Court, Marshall, N. C. W. M. Buckner, Sheriff, Marshall, N. C. James Smart, Register of Deeds, Marshall, N. C. C. F. Runyon, Treasurer, Marshall, N. C. R. L. Tweed, Surveyor, White Rock, N. C. Dr. J. H. Baird, Coroner, Mars Hill, N. C. Mrs. Eliza Henderson, Jailor, Marshall, N. C. John Honeycutt, Janitor, Marshall, N. C. Dr. C. N. Sprinkle, County Physician, Marshall, N. C. James Haynie, Supt. County Home, Marshall, N. C. Home located about two miles southwest of Marshall. Courts: Criminal and Civil, First Monday before First Monday in March, commencing Feb. 26th, 1912. Civil 11th Monday after First Monday in March, commences May 20, 1912. Criminal and Civil, First Monday after First Monday in Sept. commences Sept. 9th, 1912. Civil 6th Monday after First Monday in September, commences October 14, 1912. BOARDS: County Commissioners: W. C. Sprinkle, Chairman, Marshall, N. C. C. F. Casada, Member, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 1. Reubin A. Tweed, Member, Big Laurel, N. C. C. B. Mashburn, Atty., Marshall, N. C. Board meets first Monday in every month. Road Commissioners: A. E. Bryan, Chairman, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. J. A. Ramsey, Secretary, Mars Hill, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. Sam Cox, Member, Mars Hill, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. R. W. Wild, Big Pine, N. C. Dudley Chipley, Road Engineer, Marshall, N. C. George M. Pritchard, Atty., Marshall, N. C. Board meets first Monday in January, April, July and October each year. Board of Education: Jasper Ebbs, Chairman, Spring Creek, N. C. Thos. J. Murray, Member, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 3. W. R. Sams, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. Prof. M. C. Buckner, Supt. of Schools, Mars Hill, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. Board meets first Monday in January, April, July and October each year. Colleges and High Schools: Mars Hill College, Prof. R. L. Moore, President, Mars Hill, N. C. Fall Term begins August 17, 1911. Spring Term begins January 2, 1912. Spring Creek High School, Prof. G. C. Brown, Principal, Spring Creek, N. C. 8 Mo. School opened August 1, 1911. Madison Seminary High School, Prof. J. M. Weatherly, Principal, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. 7 Mo. School began October 2, 1911. Bell Institute, Miss Margaret E. Griffith, Principal, Walnut, N. C. 8 Mo. School began September 9, 1911. Marshall Academy, Prof. R. G. Anders, Principal, Marshall, N. C. 8 Mo. School began Sept. 4, 1911. Notary Publics: J. C. Ramsey, Marshall, N. C. Term expires Jan. 11, 1912. A. J. Roberts, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 5. Term expires May 30, 1912. Jasper Ebbs, Spring Creek, N. C. Term expires August 10, 1912. C. C. Brown, Bluff, N. C. Term expires December 6, 1912. J. A. Leak, Revere, N. C. Term expires January 10, 1913. W. T. Davis, Hot Springs, N. C. Term expires January 10, 1913. J. H. Southworth, Stackhouse, N. C. Term expires January 15, 1913. N. W. Anderson, Paint Fork, N. C. Term expires February 6, 1913. J. H. Hunter, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 3. Term expires April 1, 1913. J. F. Tison, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 3. Term expires April 1, 1913. C. J. Ebbs, Marshall, N. C. Term expires April 21, 1913. J. W. Nelson, Marshall, N. C. Term expires April 25, 1913. Roy L. Gudgey, Marshall, N. C. Term expires May 2, 1913. Geo. M. Pritchard, Marshall, N. C. Term expires May 25, 1913. Dudley Chipley, Marshall, N. C. Term expires July 29, 1913. W. G. Conner, Mars Hill, N. C. Term expires November 27, 1913. POST: George W. Gahagan Post, No. 28 G. A. R. S. M. Davis, Commander. Meets at the Court House Saturday before the second Sunday in each month at 11 A. M.

ANOTHER OUTLAW HAS SURRENDERED

FRIEL ALLEN VOLUNTARILY COMES TO HILLSVILLE, VA., AND SURRENDERS.

HE WILL ASK FOR MERCY

Only Two of the Allen Gang Who Committed Five Murders Are Now at Large.

Hillsville, Va.—Friel Allen, a blue-eyed stripling of 17, youngest of the eight of the Allen gang, each indicted for the five murders in the Carroll county court house a fortnight ago, was taken in a carriage shed at the home of his father, Jack Allen, eight miles from here. He cheerfully submitted to arrest, and he occupies a cell in the Hillsville jail with his cousin, Claude Swanson Allen, who surrendered without resistance to the detectives.

Only Sidna Allen, a man of middle age, and his young nephew, Wesley Edwards, both bold mountaineers of reckless daring, are fugitives. They are the last of the outlaw band whose feud killed a judge, sheriff, prospector, juror and bystander on March the 14th.

Friel Allen deserted the two men still at large and brought back their ultimatum of defiance. Both are prepared to resist until death.

A father's anxiety to have his youngest son spared a terrible death in the mountains is assumed to be the cause of Friel Allen's capture. Jack Allen was not involved in the courthouse shooting, but it is known that since his son, Friel, joined the outlaws he has been endeavoring to advise him to submit to the mercy of the law. Just how the parent commended with the boy has not been learned.

Hillsville had hardly digested the excitement incident to Claude Allen's bloodless capture when Friel Allen sallied into town, the prisoner of Detective Thomas L. Felt, leader of the mountain campaign against the outlaws, and Detective E. C. Payne, who, together, made the arrest.

The young mountaineer of slender build and hoisted face was unhandcuffed and escorted into town with smiles and nods to those who recognized him. He showed however, the ill-effects of two weeks with little food or shelter.

The young prisoner talked glibly of his conversations with Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards. The former, he said, admitted killing Judge Thornton L. Massey, while the latter acknowledged shooting Commonwealth's Attorney William M. Foster. His own part in the tragedy he discreetly evaded discussion. He brought, however, first hand information of the desperate straits of Sidna Allen, leader of the band, and his consciousness of guilt.

MINERS ORDERES TO QUIT

Anthracite Men Called Out—Bituminous Workers Settle With Operators.

Cleveland, Ohio.—The first step toward a stoppage in coal production in the United States as a result of the miners' wage disputes was taken, when the union ordered 170,000 miners in the anthracite regions of Pennsylvania to quit work.

The suspension was ordered because the operators refused to grant the union's demand for increased pay. The shutting down of the mines, union officials say, will cause a loss in the coal production of the country of 7,083,000 tons of anthracite coal a month, and will entail a loss of \$350,000 to revery day they remain out.

Measures to induce miners and operators to renew negotiations broken off in New York several weeks ago are already talked of.

Settlement of the bituminous miners' wage scale on a basis satisfactory to both sides was announced as having been practically settled.

A subcommittee to which the operators and miners' conference had referred a compromise offer by the miners said it had agreed to settlement, and the terms were being drawn up.

Senate Guards Pension Secrets. Washington.—Declaring the pension roll of honor which could not possibly be tainted with fraud or dishonesty, the senate refused to make public the names of the 1,000,000 persons who are drawing \$167,980,000 annually from the United States government.

The senate refused to let the light into the skeleton closet of the pension bureau. However, there is a provision in the bill directing the commissioner of pensions to prepare a list of the pensioners in each state and county.

New Plank in Roosevelt's Platform. St. Paul, Minn.—Another plank in the platform upon which Colonel Roosevelt is to fight out his campaign was brought forth in a speech here on "The Welfare of the Farmer."

Colonel Roosevelt said the movement for conserving the country's natural resources and for bettering country life had not been carried forward since his administration. He advocated a policy of governmental activity in this direction. Colonel Roosevelt made a dozen addresses during the day.

REX BEACH



Mr. Beach, the well-known author, is threatened with the loss of sight of one eye and possibly both.

ROOSEVELT LOSES 2 STATES

TAFT WINS AT PRIMARIES IN NEW YORK AND ALSO CONTROLLED IN INDIANA.

In New York Roosevelt Gets Only Seven Out of Ninety Delegates to National Convention.

The results of the election contests in New York were not favorable to Colonel Roosevelt, and he has left New York for the West, declaring the Taft methods are "scandalous."

In New York City and state the Roosevelt candidates were defeated by an estimated vote of 8 to 1. It is declared Roosevelt will not have more than 7 of the 90 delegates of New York to the national convention.

In Indiana the contest was closer, but President Taft's friends easily controlled the state convention and elected Taft delegates. The Roosevelt supporters, however, alleged that "steam-roller" methods were used and bolted and named delegates of their own.

New York—Victory for organization delegates to the Republican national convention, who were opposed in 17 congressional districts of New York state at primaries by candidates named by the Roosevelt supporters, was claimed an hour after the polls had closed by the state and county organization chairmen.

The primary elections in this city, where most of the contests arose, were made chaotic by one of the worst ballot mix-ups known for many years and returns from the election were considerably delayed.

Indianapolis.—Controlling the Indiana Republican convention by a majority of 105 of the 1,429 delegates, supporters of President Taft elected their four candidates for delegates at large to the national convention and instructed to vote for the renomination of the president.

RIOT CAUSED BY POLITICS

Mayor of Rock Island, Ill., Orders Police to Open Fire on Opponents.

Rock Island, Ill.—Three persons were killed and nine seriously wounded in a riot that grew out of strained relations between Mayor Scribner, and many of his opponents. The riot was a climax to a series of clashes in the past few nights, which, however, have not resulted in any one being hurt.

It is believed authorities have the situation well in hand. The local and the Moline companies of state guardsmen, with the police, are preventing whatever trouble might have come after the first clash.

A mob of five hundred stormed police headquarters where two leaders of previous disorders were in prison. Bricks and stones were hurled through windows. Unable to quiet the rapidly swelling mob, Mayor Scribner, in personal charge of a police squad, ordered the officers to charge.

A volley was fired. For a moment all was still. The horrified citizens slowly retreated. On the ground lay twelve prostrate forms.

28 Men Killed in Mine Explosion. Welch, W. Va.—Eighty-two men were killed by a gas explosion in the Jed Coal and Coke company's mine at Jed, W. Va., a half dozen miles from here. Only eleven men escaped alive and one of those died within an hour after being brought to the surface. The explosion took place between noon and probably only the eleven men working at the foot of the shaft had a chance for their lives. They readily made their way up the cages which were not damaged.

Chicago Packers "Not Guilty." Chicago.—Chicago packers ended a ten-year legal battle with the government when a jury in United States District Judge Carpenter's court found them not guilty of violating the criminal section of the Sherman anti-trust law. Whether further investigations into the beef packing industry will be made, District Attorney Wilkerson refused to say. He was overwhelmed by the verdict. He has been confident of convictions. The verdict came after the jury had been out 13 hours.

TOGA RETAINED BY STEPHENSON

BY VOTE OF 40 TO 34 SENATE DECLARES HIS ELECTION IS VALID.

LORIMER ALSO EXONERATED

Five Members of Special Committee Declare Lorimer Had No Knowledge of Corruption.

Washington.—Senator Stephenson of Wisconsin, octogenarian millionaire banker and lumberman, retains his seat. By a vote of 40 to 34 the senate declared his election valid and rejected the charge that \$107,793, which the senator admitted spending in the Wisconsin primaries, had been used corruptly.

Twenty-eight Republicans and 12 Democrats voted to hold Senator Stephenson's election a valid one. Eighteen Democrats and sixteen Republicans voted to declare it corruptly obtained.

Sensor Stephenson declared he felt a vindication was due to him. "I never spent a dollar wrongfully in my life," said he. "The sixty years of active management of large institutions I have employed several thousand men—three generations of them—and never had a strike. I never used a dollar for a fraud of any kind."

Sensor Lorimer of Illinois won an overwhelming vindication at the hands of the special committee of eight senators who have finished a second investigation of his election by the Illinois legislature in 1909.

Twice challenged and once acquitted, the committee by votes of 5 to 3 on all vital points completely exonerated him of any knowledge of legislative corruption.

Edward Hines, the millionaire lumberman, referred to in the investigation as "the man who put Lorimer over," also got a vindication by the committee. It had been charged that Hines raised a corruption fund of \$100,000 to elect Lorimer to the senate. The majority repudiated that and passed a resolution that the evidence had shown that he did not raise or contribute any sum improperly.

The majority held that no new evidence had been adduced to justify a reversal of the senate's previous action in Senator Lorimer's favor; that there was no evidence of a jackpot in the Illinois general assembly of 1909 in connection with his election and, finally, that no corrupt practices had been shown by the investigation.

ROOSEVELT ATTACKS TAFT

The Colonel Grows Virulent at Chicago in Denouncing Taft Methods.

Chicago.—Colonel Roosevelt's most stinging campaign speech thus far was delivered here. He lashed his opponents, and charged some of them with using fraud and trickery to defeat him. Colonel Roosevelt said it was a fighting speech. It was delivered before a throng which packed the auditorium and cheered him enthusiastically. The primaries in New York furnished the text for his speech and he cited a number of instances in which he said his opponents had resorted to improper practices to defeat him. He expressed belief that in the great majority of districts of the country the people were with him, and that the opposition was attempting to defeat him by methods which he characterized as "infamous."

New York.—Characterizing the primary in New York county as a "farce," Charles H. Duell, chairman of the Roosevelt committee of the city of New York, after a conference with Roosevelt leaders, appealed to Governor Dix to declare the primary invalid and provide for a second primary. Samuel S. Koenig, chairman of the Republican county committee, and William Barnes, Jr., chairman of the Republican state committee, both express the opinion that a second primary would be illegal. Leaders of the two factions of the party cannot agree as to who is responsible for the failure to deliver official ballots at any of the polling places.

Senator Bob Taylor Very Ill. Washington.—Senator Taylor of Tennessee, who has been ill for several days with an aggravated gall stone trouble, was much worse after a restless night. His case so far has failed to yield to treatment and his condition is regarded as precarious.

Farmers' National Congress. Washington.—President George M. Whitaker announced the 1912 meeting of the Farmers' National Congress would be held in New Orleans in November.

Old Jefferson Davis Home. Hopkinton, Ky.—Preparations for conversion into a park of the old Jefferson Davis home site at Fairview, since the bill appropriating \$7,500 for the purpose has become a law, are moving speedily. Plans have been prepared for the building of a stone wall about the property.

N. M. Elects Republican Senator. Santa Fe, N. M.—New Mexico elected two United States senators, both Republicans. The new lawmakers are A. B. Fall and T. H. Catron.

Another Cotton Mill Strike. Lowell, Mass.—A general strike, which leaders declare results in at least 5,000 more of the 20,000 cotton mill operatives in this city falling to report for work, was declared by the Industrial Workers of the World. All of the loom fixers, numbering about 500, in the seven plants of this city, voted to stay away from work. Strikers are dissatisfied with an advance in wages, which became effective, varying from 4 to 10 per cent. They ask for an increase averaging between 15 and 20 per cent.

FRANCISCO PEYNADO



Senor Peynado is the new minister to this country from the Dominican Republic.

WOMAN BESTS ROOSEVELT

SUFFRAGETTE ALMOST BROKE UP MEETING EX-PRESIDENT WAS ADDRESSING.

Miss Maud Malone Demanded Votes for Women and the Colonel Said They Could Have Them.

New York.—In one of the six meetings which Colonel Roosevelt addressed on the East Side on the eve of the primary elections he faced a situation which had the better of him and other leaders at the meeting for fully fifteen minutes. It was all due to a woman.

After Colonel Roosevelt had launched into an attack upon the new primary law, exhibiting the 14-foot ballot which will be used in one election district as an example of its circumference and begun on the "right of the people to rule," one of the few women in the audience upset things by crying in a loud voice:

"How about the women?" Many identified the interrupter as Maud Malone, a militant suffragette, who has upon similar political meetings in the same way. There was at once wild confusion of hisses and cries to "put her out."

Mr. Roosevelt was self-possessed, and, after the clamor had quieted somewhat, replied affably:

"Madam, I have asked that you women yourselves be allowed to determine whether you shall vote."

This was greeted with general cheering, but Miss Malone kept her feet and was about to make further interruptions, when the colonel said:

"Apparently you don't feel contented with this. In that case I have a great deal better opinion of your sex than you have."

Men in the crowd began throwing paper programs and other missiles at Miss Malone. The colonel pleaded for courtesy, but the pandemonium continued, notwithstanding the colonel's shouts from the platform and the effort of the chairman to rap the crowd to order. The riotous demonstration continued for a quarter of an hour, during which Colonel Roosevelt was absolutely helpless. The band tried to calm the rioters, but the music only stirred up more excitement.

MEXICAN REBELS VICTORIOUS

Complete Defeat of the Forces of Madero is Reported at Jimenez.

Mexico City, Mexico.—Apparently reliable messages received by El Imparcial report a complete Federal defeat at Jimenez. General Gonzalez Salas, commander-in-chief of the Federal army, is reported to have committed suicide. Both General Blanquet and Tellez are reported wounded; other officers were killed and fifty officers taken prisoners to Chihuahua, together with many privates. Orozco, with 164 carloads of rebel soldiers, is reported moving toward Torreon. All Federal troops are said to have already withdrawn to that point.

The Federal fight toward Torreon began Sunday afternoon, according to a telegram to El Imparcial, and Gen. Pascual Orozco, with his victorious army, is said to be close on the heels of the retreating Federals.

Railroads to Fight Decision. Washington.—Resort to the courts probably will be made immediately for a review of the comprehensive decision of the interstate commerce commission, announced in the Texas-Louisiana rate case. The commission decided that interstate railroads which put into force low state rates must adopt equally low interstate rates for traffic moving under similar conditions. It is generally believed that the case will ultimately be taken to the Supreme court of the United States.

STATE PRESS TO MEET AT MOREHEAD

THE EDITORS OF NORTH CAROLINA WILL ASSEMBLE ON JULY 23, 24 AND 25.

ADDRESS BY FAMOUS EDITOR

Sessions Are to Be Held at Atlantic Hotel and Special Rates Have Been Arranged—Executive Committee Selected Time and Place.

Raleigh.—The North Carolina Press Association is to meet at the Atlantic Hotel, Morehead City, on July 23, 24 and 25, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

That was the decision reached at a meeting held here by the Executive Committee of the Press Association, at which there were present five of the seven members of the committee. There were a number of other editors in the city and these were present during part of the meeting of the executive committee.

At the last meeting of the North Carolina Press Association, held at Lenoir, it was the expressed wish of the editors that the meeting be held at Morehead City at the Atlantic Hotel, if the matter of rates could be arranged. Mr. W. W. Croxton, the general passenger agent of the Norfolk Southern Railroad, was invited to appear before the executive committee and satisfactory arrangements were made for special rates. After this Morehead City was selected as the place of the annual session, this to be held July 23, 24 and 25, the first session to begin on the night of Tuesday, July 23.

The executive committee passed upon the matter of a tentative program which will be announced later. It was determined to have as the principal speaker an editor of national reputation and as soon as his acceptance is secured an announcement will be made. It was announced also that the Norfolk-Southern Railroad and the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce would give a special trip to the associate through the inland waterway route from Morehead City to New Bern during the meeting, and that there would also be arranged a number of motor boat and sail races. The meeting is to be made one of unusual interest.

In attendance at the meeting of the executive committee were Mr. J. J. Farris, editor High Point Enterprise, president of the association; Maj. H. A. London, of Pittsboro, editor of the Chatham Record, chairman of the committee; Mr. R. W. Vincent, managing editor of the Charlotte Observer, secretary; Mr. H. B. Varner, editor Lexington Dispatch, and Mr. R. M. Phillips, associate editor of the Greensboro Daily News. The absentees were Mr. D. T. Edwards, editor of the Winston Free Press; Mr. J. B. Sherrill, editor of the Concord Times, secretary of the association, who were unavoidably detained. Secretary Sherrill's absence being caused by delayed trains.

Capture Negro Who Shot Conductor. The negro, Fuel Hairton, who shot Southern Railway conductor Holdon at Kernersville, was arrested at the home of his sister, seven miles north of Summerfield, and taken to Winston-Salem jail. It was learned that Hairton had made his way across the country from Kernersville about eight miles to his sister's home beyond Summerfield. Immediately the officers got busy, and a special train was made up here and a large number of officers, including Sheriff Jones, Chief of Police Thomas, of Winston; Chief Isely, of Greensboro and Special Railway Agt. Oliver, were taken to Summerfield.

Distressing Event at Henderson. A special from Henderson gives the particulars of a distressing event there in which a deputy sheriff named Kit Davis shot and mortally wounded a young white man of good reputation named Walter Cawthorn.

No Discrepancy in Election. A prominent citizen of Hillsboro was at Durham and when asked about the report that the Orange county election would be contested, said that there were no grounds for contesting the legality of the election, and that the apparent discrepancy in the number of votes and the voters at Hillsboro was due to an oversight in checking off the voters when they cast their ballots. The good roads people are going right ahead and preparing to sell bonds, and it is believed will be in progress soon.

Good Roads Association Meeting. At a meeting of the Halifax County Good Roads Association at Halifax a few days ago all the old officers were re-elected as follows: President, John L. Patterson; secretary-treasurer, Charles J. Shields. The board of directors was reduced to five members and is composed of the officers and W. T. Clement and J. A. House. The meeting was not well attended as was hoped it would be, but those present felt very much encouraged at the work being done by the association.

PUSHING WESTERN CAROLINA

Manager Cohen Has Returned From Florida Where He Has Been Boosting Western Section of State.

Asheville.—Col. Sanford H. Cohen, manager of the Greater Western North Carolina Association, has just returned from a stay of several weeks in Florida, where he went in the interests of the section included in the organization, and particularly to induce the tourists who are getting ready to leave Florida to come by way of western North Carolina. Colonel Cohen visited many cities in that state and in each of them much advertising matters were widely distributed and the attention of the people was directed toward this section in various ways. The papers in the cities where he went were generous to the matter of interviews and large billboards were rented on which advertising posters were placed. Not only were the advantages of the "Land of the Sky" as a place for tourists impressed on the people, but the industrial phases and natural resources were not neglected, especially the cattle raising, fruit growing, trucking, etc. It is thought that through his efforts a number of investors may be induced to come here.

Colonel Cohen was seconded in his efforts of publishing the advantages of the section by the various railroad men who are in Florida at this season.

Among the cities visited by Col. Cohen were: Jacksonville, Tampa, Miami, Daytona, St. Petersburg, St. Augustine, Palm Beach, Savannah, Atlanta and Augusta; and on his return he spent one day in Knoxville.

Col. Cohen will now remain here for some time.

Wife Murderer Has Escaped. Sheriff J. M. Deaton received information from Raleigh to the effect that Reuben Coombs, serving a 30-year sentence in the state prison for murder had escaped and notifying him of a reward of \$25 for his capture. Coombs received his long sentence at the August term of Iredell court last year for the murder of his wife, having been found guilty of murder in the second degree. He is only nineteen years old now, and his wife was only sixteen when he killed her. The couple had been married only a few weeks when one morning in last May the girl wife was found dead in the cow lot of their home in the Stony Point neighborhood.

Vann To Enforce Fish Law. Displaying the same fearlessness and sense of duty that characterized the action of the late officers of Carroll county, Va., court, State Fish Commissioner Vann sailed from Elizabeth City on board the cruiser Elfreda, having with him a complement of twenty-five men from state naval militia bound for Albemarle sound, with determination to quell the insubordination of certain fishermen. Notwithstanding dire threats have been made against his life and he has been warned not to touch the nets, he stated that he was determined to see that the fish laws of North Carolina are enforced at all costs.

Repair The Roads and Bridges. The work of repairing the damage done to roads and bridges in every section of Mecklenburg county by the recent big rain is being repaired as rapidly as possible. The three convict gangs of the county are being utilized for the work, detachments of the convicts being detailed to do the repairs most imperatively needed on bridges and washouts in the territory contiguous to the camps.

Express Office at Lucama Entered. Some unknown person crawled in the ticket window of the express office at Lucama and opened a suit case and scattered its contents promiscuously around and filled the case with three gallons of whiskey, which had been shipped there to a party. Nothing else was disturbed, but the stuff which is so hard to get nowadays in Wilson town.

Winston-Salem.—Hardy Brandon, colored, was shot down and killed here by John Burris, also colored. Four or five shots were fired but only one shot from a 44-caliber revolver took effect in Brandon's abdomen.

Sad Sequel To Foul Murder. A sad sequel to the foul murder of three members of the Sanders family in Granville county—J. Latham Sanders, Miss Mittie Sanders and little Irene Overton, in November, 1910, by the negro field, Nathan Montague, has been enacted. Mrs. Rebecca Sanders, widow of the murdered man, and mother and grandmother of the girls murdered, was committed to the state hospital for the insane. Her mind has given away since the tragedy under the strain of the terrible shock she underwent.

Is Charged With An Assault. Leon Vaughn, of the Clear Creek section of Henderson county, was arrested by Constable T. B. Conner and given a preliminary hearing before Magistrate J. D. Derrmid, of Hendersonville, charged with an assault upon a 13-year-old girl. It was in evidence that the man, who is about 25 years old, tried to convince the young girl, who was on her way home along a country road, that he had seen her on the road, and persuaded her to accompany him in another direction, where he made improper proposals.