

# MANY CANDIDATES ARE SEEKING MUNICIPAL JOB POLLOCKSVILLE

### Four Are Anxious to Operate Electric Light Plant, Brand New

### ALDERMEN DODGING AN OPEN MEETING

POLLOCKSVILLE, N. C., Sept. 7.—What is proving to be a rather warm political race has developed here during the past few days, when four candidates filed applications for the operation of the electric light plant which has recently been installed.

Last night the situation grew very tense when the aldermen met at the home of one of its members instead of in a public place open to the town people of the town waited impatiently on the street corner for the return of their officials who, they thought, would return in a few minutes for an open meeting. But not so with the aldermen. Then held their meeting and reached a decision as the manner of voting in the absence of the town people all large.

The four candidates for the position as operator are: R. L. May, Clon M. Daniel, Millard Carter and John Williams. The hottest race is expected between Messrs. May and McDaniel. The polls will be open Friday for voting on all four applicants, and it is up to the voters of the town as to whom will be elected.

R. L. May is in the employ of the Atlantic Coast Line as local station agent, and many of his friends feel that he is making a sad mistake to try to handle the position, as he now is together with the operator's job. Mr. May is a competent man and liked generally by the citizens of the town.

Mr. McDaniel, reputed to be Mr. May's strongest opponent, is also competent to operate the light plant and has been working with the contractors in the installation of the plant.

Predictions as to who will be the winner are not in order here, but it is practically assured that a campaign with plenty of "pep" will be seen here on Friday.

P. S.—Whether the applicants will offer cigars at the polls or not has not yet been announced.

### CLOVER SHOOTING IS RESULT ILL FEELING

### William Farris Rushed to Columbia For Safe Keeping After Three Are Dead

YORK, S. C., Sept. 7.—With the death in a Gastonia hospital last night of Lois Taylor, sixteen, and Newton Taylor, twelve, three members of the family of J. M. Taylor, of Clover, S. C., are dead from gunshot wounds alleged to have been inflicted yesterday afternoon by William C. Farris, elderly Clinton mill operative. Three other members are being treated for wounds, and it is reported here that Miss Gertrude Taylor, eighteen, is probably fatally wounded.

Fred Taylor, twenty-one, and Dolcie Taylor, nine, are the two others wounded. Claude Johnston, twenty-one, a cousin of the Taylor's was instantly killed when Farris fired upon the Taylor family.

Farris was rushed to the State penitentiary in Columbia last night as a measure of safe-keeping when feeling ran high in the Clover vicinity as reports of the tragedy spread.

Farris is said to have fired several loads of buckshot from two guns at the group of six on the front porch and in the yard of the Taylor home, which is opposite that of Farris.

In a statement explaining the affair, Farris is said by the police to have stated the Taylors had threatened him. The shooting, however, they added, resulted from a quarrel between the children of the two families. Ill feeling had existed between the families for some time, the officers declared.

Farris surrendered immediately after the shooting and was placed in the county jail here only to be hurried away to Columbia when intense feeling arose.

### KANSAS CITY YOUTH KILLED HIS FATHER

### Long Standing Quarrel Ends in Patricide; Boy Sent to Jail

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 7.—Held on a charge of murder, Roy H. Garvey, who shot and killed his father, J. W. Garvey, is in the county jail awaiting preliminary hearing September 23.

The shooting which occurred in the real estate office operated by father and son is said to have followed a quarrel over the discharge of Helen Garvey, a stenographer in the younger Garvey's employ.

According to Miss Florence Sebar, a clerk in the office, Helen Garvey had been humming and whistling. Shortly after Mrs. Garvey entered the office the younger partner entered the office and learned of his father's action. He went into his father's private office and a few minutes later six shots were heard.



### FAILED IN ATTEMPTS GET IN MOVIES, TWO GIRLS TRY SUICIDE

### Old, Old Story of Young Girl's Struggles Against Temptations of City

### "YOUNG AND SWEET ONCE," SHE SAYS

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Two actresses attempted suicide today by swallowing poison.

Miss Donnie Harrison, 20 years old, leaving a note saying she was desperate because she was unable to rid herself of addiction to drugs, was found unconscious in her bed which had been set afire by a cigarette. Her condition is serious.

Mrs. Verna Maynard, 32 years old, a widow, who was discharged from Bellevue Hospital two weeks ago after an attempt to end her life, told detectives that she made her second attempt today because she realized that she could not achieve success as a motion picture actress.

She added that she would try suicide again if she recovered. Mrs. Maynard, whose condition is not serious, was picked up at a street corner by two men who took her to a hospital in an automobile.

Miss Harrison, who came from Detroit, left a long note in which she told the old, old story of a confessed "weakling's" struggles against the temptations of an ambitious young girl alone in the city.

The note was found in her room after the fire caused by a discarded cigarette had been extinguished. It was the fire, accidentally started by the young woman, which gives her a fighting chance for life.

She was found by neighbors attracted by the smoke, before the poison had taken its full effect. Several other letters were found, one addressed to her mother in Detroit.

"Well, to start with, I am a dope," Miss Harrison's revelations of her shattered career began. "It really wasn't my fault in the beginning. I mean about the dope."

"Gee—I was young then and sweet—oh, well, you know the kind. New York No Place for Hick. I left my home town to attain something that a million other girls pray to attain—a brilliant career on the stage. I landed in New York with \$20. My parents had given me (thinking it was more than sufficient to hold me until I obtained work) and a large light tan (leopard) suitcase. That was all I had to my name."

"I was absolutely a stranger, knowing little more than nothing about this city. All I had to guide me was a scrawny little piece of paper with the address of an alleged respectable boarding house. After just two days in the big city I came to realize that employment is not easy to get—for a hick."

### Pathetic Note to Mother.

There was another letter to the girl's mother. It read: "This is the last night of my life. I intend to make it so. I have taken a small quantity of —, but I have a four-ounce bottle of — to drink now and then, there will be no awakening this time. I intend to take it all at once—not sip it. I love you, darling, as much as it is possible for a poor weakling like myself to love. Tell Frank that I passed thinking of him, and loving him and baby and papa, too. I left Arthur a letter as a last favor to a dead girl to cremate me and send you the ashes. Take them to the edge of Belle Isle and fling them into the wind."



MERRILL MOORES

The flapper type lost out in Washington's annual bathing beach beauty contest this year, when Miss Eva Friedell, seventeen-year-old high school student, won the prize, a silver loving cup. She appeared without make-up of any sort, the athletic type minus the bob-hair. She is a regular bather at the beach.



Bachelors of congress, of which there are many, were defamed by Congressman Merrill Moores of Indiana when he declared that it is foolish to think a man needs a wife to be a success in congress, and that in some cases a man's wife has unmade his political career.

Here the note broke abruptly off.

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### MEXICO IS WARMING UP TO PRIZE FIGHTS

### Combination "Gym" and Arena Will Be Built For Training Youths

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 7.—As recently as three years ago a former heavyweight boxing champion attempted to make boxing popular in Mexico City and failed. Today the sport is intensely popular and the bouts which are held regularly every Friday night, in Mexico City attract crowds that fill the Fronto, a huge structure in which the Spanish game of pelota is played.

The promoters are so enthused over the prospects of the fight game here, that they are planning a combination gymnasium and arena, and they have already set up a school for boxers, in which Mexican youths are given free

instruction in fisticuffs. These students in return for this instruction, furnish all the preliminaries to the main bouts and that they do well is attested by the fact that the popular verdict so far has always been that the youngsters are better than the older principals.

Invitations have been sent to several well-known boxers in the United States inquiring as to terms for a fight here, and the word has evidently been passed around that the game is looking up in Mexico, because during the past few weeks there has been a great invasion of "ham and egg" fighters who are perfectly willing to be mauled around for a few rounds in return for a few regular meals.

Persons who have watched boxing rise and fall in popular fancy here say there is more interest now than ever before. For the first time Mexican boys are being taught to box and their cleverness is undisputed. The Mexican spectators are also commencing to learn the game, and the job of a referee is not the hazardous task it was a few years ago when an unpopular decision usually meant gunplay.

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