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perisice in such matters or has observed them knows that fifty armed and determined men can hold any jail against any mob, at least until daylight. Ninety-nine times in a hundred no wholesale taking of life is necessary for resistance. The ardor of most mobs is cooled promptly by a few real bullets and by the conviction that continuance of the attack means real danger. In this case all the shooting was done by the mob. It is pitiful to read that "Sheriff Julian and his assistants pleaded earnestly while the mob itself was doing all the shooting." It seems that the ordinary instincts of manhood and repentment would have incited the officers of the law when they were being fired on and their comrades shot at their sides to retaliate.

them in the performance of that duty with fearful results to the attacking party. It would be a most unfortunate occurrence and one greatly to be deplored, but some such heroic treatment is the only remedy which will cure this disease which has seized on the public. The courts cannot cure the evil. There is no use in trying to convict lynchers by a jury of their friends and acquaintances. The only means of checking the growing sentiment in favor of lynch law on slightest provocation or without any provocation, as was the case in the Salisbury lynching, is for the military to do its stern duty when called on to uphold the law and protect life.

Currituck Giant Dead.
Wilmington Star.
One of North Carolina's prodigies died in Currituck county this week in the person of Lewis Lewart, who fell a victim of typhoid fever. He was 27 years of age and weighed 735 pounds when in good health. Although a man of prodigious size, it is said he was the strongest and most active man in Currituck county. He has traveled all over the United States and been on exhibition at fairs and in shows.

Destroyed Some Mash.
Yorkville Recorder, 13th.
Constable J. H. B. Jenkins, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff Quinn of Yorkville, and Constable A. J. Quinn of Clover, made a raid in the Bethany neighborhood last Tuesday night after some blockade distillers that they understood were doing business up that way. Their information was straight. At the place to which they had been directed near the A. C. Stroup place, a short distance from Bethany church they found several stands of mash and evidences that the distillers had been operating within a few hours previous. The stills had been removed, however, and no arrests were made.

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OPINIONS OF THE PRESS ON THE SALISBURY LYNCHING.

May It Not Call in Yain!
Greensboro Industrial News.
The outraged honor of the State calls aloud. God grant that it may not call in vain.

When Lynching Will End.
Charlotte Observer.
Lynching will not end in North Carolina until the killing of lynchers begins. Then it will end.

Outraged Law Has No Defender.
Greensboro Industrial News.
The fact, however, remains, and a shameful fact it is, that no hand was raised, no shot was fired to defend the dignity of outraged law.

Rowan Responsible.
Newbern News.
It is too thin to talk about the lynchers coming from Montgomery, Iredell, and other counties—Rowan may as well own up. The work was done by their own people.

Had Ample Warning.
Mooreville Enterprise.
It seems that the Rowan authorities were totally unprepared for the attack on the jail by the mob, but to the layman it looked as if they had ample warning.

Build Officers Needed.
Franklin Progress.
We are tired of reading how this officer and that officer was overpowered, and how a mob took control of things. It would enlarge our faith, some times to read that some officer had announced to a mob that he must first be taken.

Utterly Inexcusable.
Charlotte Post.
The lynching of the negroes last Monday night at Salisbury was utterly inexcusable. The Governor had ordered a special term of the court for their trial, and the court had met that day. The grand jury had found a verdict and there is no doubt that the prisoners would be convicted promptly. The mob overpowered the sheriff and officers of the law and lynched the prisoners in a most brutal manner. If such lynchings as this and the Wadesboro lynching are not punished as such, it is safe to say that law, order, and justice will be abolished in our country.

The Real Question.
Newbern News.
The real question is, are we to have law and legally constituted government in North Carolina, or are we to have mob rule and anarchy. There is no use to mince words. We have murderers walking up and down the earth in North Carolina, with as much impunity as the purest and best citizens we have.

An Absolutely Willing.
Asheville Citizen.
All of which might have been averted by the firing of a single shot in the air, or the statement of the Sheriff to the effect that he could not protect the prisoners and had better advise them to get out of the jail. There was a chance to do so, and it was not taken.

Are Shame and Indignation to Fall?
Richmond News Leader.
We think the sentiment of the people of the South regarding this affair will be one of profound disgust and humiliation. Other sections of this country will view the affair with contempt which will be still more bitter for the fact that we cannot avoid the feeling that it is deserved. The situation here in North Carolina is a disgrace. We have little hope that either shame or indignation will take shape in definite action for the vindication of the law and the State's good name and the punishment of the mob. We suppose that among these law-breakers are included a greater or less number of citizens whose votes are required by officials and whose patronage is valuable to dealers of various kinds. We have seen judges try to do their duty and grand and petit jurors, fail them shamefully in the presence of such considerations.

The Important Notice.
Greensboro Industrial News.
That the victims were worthless negroes is a fact having little bearing on the main question. The matter we are dis-

Why Did the Militia Leave?
Richmond News Leader, 9th.
Let us hope that there will be some kind of investigation to ascertain why the militia who were on the scene were provided with blank cartridges. Why did they desert in the face of the State's enemies and with one accord, like the men of Israel on a certain memorable occasion, departed in haste to their tents.

Crime Against Decent Civilization.

Alamance Observer.
Whether or not they (the prisoners) were guilty, or whether they got what they deserved, is not the question; but they were taken from the hands of the law, high-handedly and in defiance of the court that was sitting for their trial, not in heated blood, but deliberately and in cold blood, and murdered. It is a crime, high-handed, against the good citizenship of the State. The act cannot be too strongly condemned, in that it has run rough-shod over the law, the court and the rules that should govern civilized society. It is not for the sake of the victims that the crime is deplored and condemned, but in behalf of decent civilization.

One More Act, Condemning Note.

Wadesboro Messenger-Intelligencer, 9th.
The lynching at Salisbury Monday night is only another illustration of the fact that human nature is pretty much the same the world over. Because lynchings have taken place in Anson and Rowan counties recently does not prove that the citizenship of these counties is any better or any worse than the citizenship of other counties in the State. The truth of the matter is that both lynchings, under similar circumstances, might have taken place in any county in the State. We do not say this to condone lynchings, for we believe that resort to mob law is never justified except for the one offense, but we do think that judges, newspapers and others are making a mistake when they refer, without qualification, to persons who have perpetrated a lynching as a lot of murderers, cut throats, and dirty cowards. There is no doubt but that in every mob there are a lot of irresponsible, lawless men, but usually there are other men—and they are the leaders—who have as good reputations as any one. The people know this and we may denounce lynching in the most bitter terms known to the language, but still the fact will remain that the common people of this great State feel that the courts have turned loose too many criminals upon them, and that the only way to inflict the death penalty, at least upon a white man, is for the people to step in where the courts have failed.

Keep No Ill.

Monroe Journal.
The fellow who climbed the tree to place the rope to hang the negroes at Salisbury last night, straddled the limb, then rolled off, and smoked a cigarette.
There's your typical lyncher! No judge on the bench, clothed with all the authority of the law and performing his sworn duty, ever pronounces a death sentence except with the greatest solemnity and regret for the fatal necessity. Yet your lyncher, with murder in his heart, constitutes himself judge, jury and executioner, and while performing his criminal deeds jauntily smokes a cigarette and blows it toward heaven mingled with the shrieks of his victims.

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