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## Throat Cut From Ear To Ear Near Town of Richlands

Commissary Keeper Brutally Murdered By Unknown Assailant

Body Found In  
Clump Of Bushes

No Clue As To Whom  
Committed The Act—  
Police On The Watch.

With his throat cut from ear to ear and the last spark of life extinct, Manley Hatch, a well known citizen of Richlands, Onslow county, who was keeper of the Goldsboro Lumber Company's commissary at their lumber camp near Richlands, was found lying in a clump of bushes a few hundred yards from the commissary building about two o'clock yesterday afternoon.

This murder is one of the greatest mysteries to occur in Onslow county in many years. Hatch was last seen alive about 8 o'clock yesterday morning. At that time he was in the commissary building attending to his duties and seemed to be in the best of spirits. Several of the men who are employed in the camp saw him prior to that hour and talked to him.

About noon one of the men employed in the camp went to the commissary to secure some articles and upon arriving there found the building was closed. This was so unusual that he began to inquire as to Mr. Hatch's whereabouts and as no one had seen him, a search was instituted and his body was found lying at the spot above mentioned.

It was found that the murder had been committed in the road as there was signs of a struggle and blood was found on the ground. The body was then dragged through the bushes to the point where it was found and the murderer made his escape.

It is believed that robbery was the motive of the crime as, so far as is known, the dead man had no enemies. However, there is no clue as to who is the guilty parties and the authorities are at a loss as to what step to take to apprehend the slayer of Mr. Hatch.

Last night a Journal reporter called up the manager of the Goldsboro Lumber Company at Dover and asked if any clue to the murderer had been obtained. It was ascertained that none had been obtained but the officials of the lumber company had several men under suspicion and were keeping watch on them.

The police in all nearby towns have been notified to be on the watch for suspicious characters and it is believed that, if the murderer attempts to leave the scene of the crime, that he will be apprehended at once. A thorough investigation is to be made today and this may result in bringing to light some facts in the case which have not yet been made public.

### POST OFFICE ROBBED

Eufaula, Ala., March 19.—Burglars broke into the postoffice at Eufaula, eighteen miles north-west of Eufaula, and secured \$75 in cash. It is thought the work was done by two suspicious white men who had spent the day in the neighborhood. They are being sought by the police and county authorities.

### NEW ENTERPRISE FOR NEW BERN CHARTERED

Raleigh, March 19.—The following charter was granted today, East Carolina Ice and Coal Company, New Bern, to manufacture and deal in ice, operate cold storage and market and milling business, deal in coal and other fuel, operate fisheries, deal in slaughter livestock, and deal in meats, fruits, vegetables and do general warehouse business, with authorized capital stock of \$100,000, to begin business with \$10,000, subscribed by Clyde Eby, New Bern; W. E. Schindler, Washington; F. S. Cuyler, Richmond.

## TELEGRAPH COMPANY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CODES

FAR REACHING DECISION HANDED DOWN BY BRISTOL TENNESSEE JUDGE

Bristol, Tenn., March 19.—Judge Dana Harmon of the Bristol court has handed down a decision which, if it stands will have a far-reaching effect on the question of liability for mistakes made in the transmission of telegrams from one state to another.

The opinion was in connection with the suit of John A. Goodwin, a merchant broker of this city who sought damages from the Western Union Telegraph Company on account of a mistake in the transmission of a code message sent from San Francisco to Bristol, quoting prices of certain fruits.

The defense of the telegraph company was under the Federal Commerce act, the Federal courts had to take possession of disputes arising in the field of interstate telegraphic communication so as to make the Federal acts and decisions apply; that under the Federal statutes and decisions of the Stage of Tennessee did not apply; that under the Federal statutes, the conditions on the message absolving the telegraph company from liability because of mistakes in code or cypher telegrams, were enforceable and valid, and that the telegraph company could not therefore be held liable for the amount of the plaintiff's claim.

### FEATURE PICTURE AT THE STAR THEATRE TODAY

"The Shadow of Nazareth" a Biblical tragedy in three parts, featuring the world renowned English Stars, Constance Crawley and Arthur Maude, will be shown at the Star theatre today. 'Tis a Warner Feature Production. 'Nuf Sed.

### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING THIS MORNING

The meeting of the Executive Committee of the Chamber of Commerce which was to have been held last night to accept the plans for the new tobacco warehouse, was postponed until this morning at 10 o'clock. Every member is requested to be present at that hour. The committee who is to sell the lots is also requested to be present at that hour.

### NO MORE BODIES FOUND IN RUINS

St. Louis, March 19.—No additional bodies were found today in the ruins of the St. Louis Seed Company's building, which was crushed yesterday by a falling wall of the burned out Missouri Athletic Club.

The bodies of three men were found, and twelve persons were hurt by the falling walls.

## READY WEAR GARMENT CO. TO ENLARGE STORE

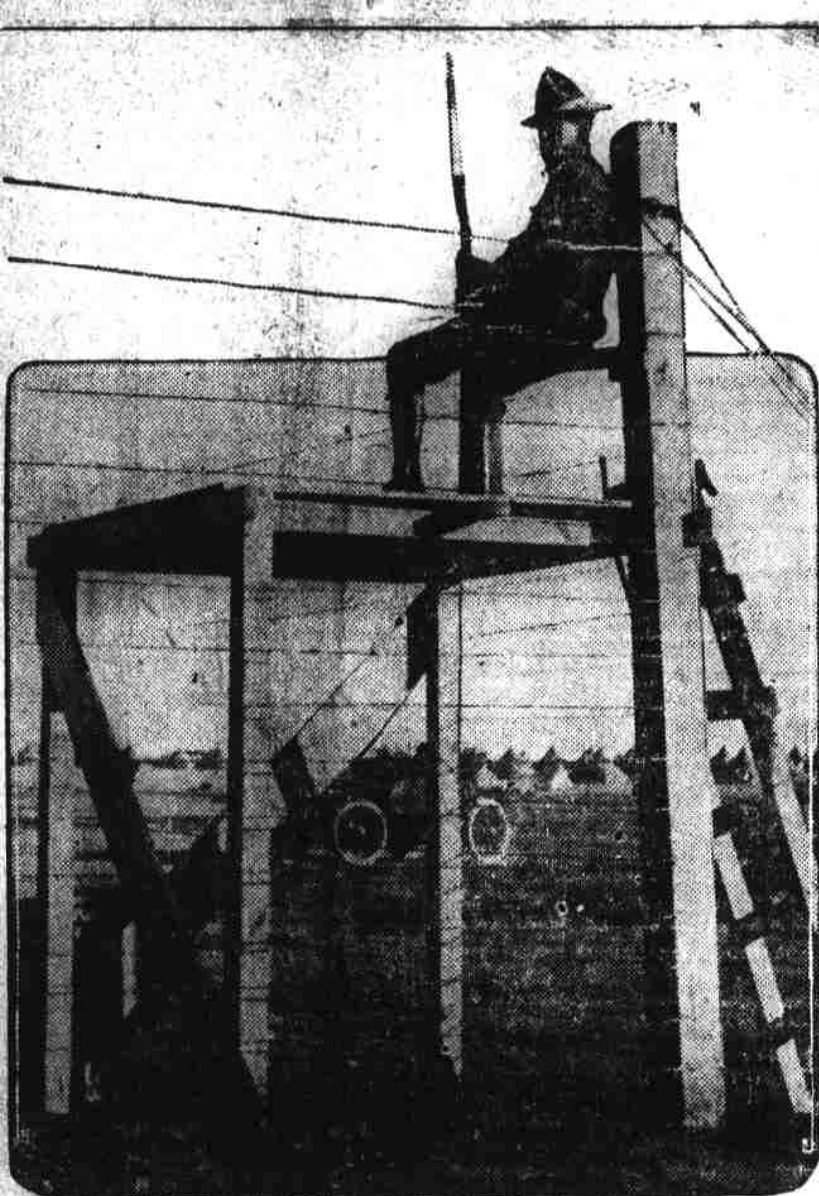
WILL MAKE BOTH THEIR STORE AND STOCK CONSIDERABLY LARGE

The Ready Wear Garment Co., will in the near future enlarge and improve their store located at 61 Pollock street. The firm caters to ladies exclusively, handling only ready wear garments. This is the only firm in this section handling ladies' goods exclusively, and they are enjoying a good patronage.

With their already enlarged store and additional improvements this is the largest store of its kind in our city. The ladies rest room which was inaugurated the first of this month makes quite a pleasant improvement to the already up-to-date ladies store.

This firm also pays the fare of out of town shoppers within forty miles of New Bern. The firm is composed of local business men who claim to give the best for the least profit, with New Bern's welfare always in mind.

## ON GUARD AT THE "BULL PEN"



The photograph shows a corner of the "bull pen" at El Paso, Tex., where the captured Mexican rebels and federals are being held by the United States soldiers.

## FRIGHTENED MULE MADE WILD DASH FOR LIBERTY

COURTING COUPLE IN BUGGY BUT ESCAPED WITHOUT ANY INJURY

(Special to the Journal)  
Barma, March 19. Pretty weather has come at last and farmers are getting busy.

We are having a fine Sunday school at Gaskins school house now, the young people all turned out last Sunday afternoon. The young men with their new horses and buggies were out driving with their best girls. Cliff Miller's mule got scared and ran away but no damage was done, and he took Miss Blanch Smith home after Sunday school.

Hugh McLawhorn took Miss Carrie Whitford and Miss Minnie Croom down to Ernul station Sunday afternoon.

Daniel Heath was out driving with his best girl, Miss Alice Ipock. Look out for the wedding bells will ring soon. Mrs. Sid McLawhorn spent the day with Mrs. N. T. Whitford who has been very sick but we are very glad to hear that she is able to sit up.

### BOOKS BY PARCEL POST

New Postoffice Order Went Into Effect Tuesday.

Postmaster Daniels stated yesterday that beginning Tuesday printed books are now carried in the parcel post at a considerable reduction in the rates from those which were in operation until midnight Sunday.

Catalogs and cloth and paper-bound volumes are included in the classification of books. A noticeable increase in the parcel post business is expected as a consequence of the reduction in the cost of mailing.

Books weighing eight ounces or less will retain the present third-class rate of 2 cents for each ounce or fraction of an ounce. When the book or package of books weigh more than eight ounces the parcel post rates for the various zones apply.

### NOTED TRAINER DEAD

Nashville, March 19.—John Harding, the last of the noted Belle Meade family of breeders of famous thoroughbred horses, is dead here. He was 83 years old.

## TOO MUCH WHISKEY CAUSED HIM TROUBLE

POLICEMAN FRED P. ROWE PLACES SOLOMON DIXON UNDER ARREST

Solomon Dixon, one of the porters at the Gaston Hotel, was yesterday afternoon given a preliminary hearing before Mayor A. H. Bangert on a warrant charging him with violating the law by ordering more than a certain amount of whiskey during the past month.

Dixon was nabbed by Policeman F. P. Rowe. The officer has been keeping an eye on him for several days and has seen him take five packages from the express car at the union station during the past nine days. Dixon evidently thought that by securing the spirits frumenti at the passenger station he would avoid the inconvenience of visiting the express office and probably being sent around to the City Hall to explain why he ordered so much whiskey.

At the hearing yesterday afternoon the defendant was placed under bond of fifty dollars for his appearance at the next term of Superior Court. Bail in this amount was furnished by his employers and he was released from custody.

### PAYS PAMLIKO COUNTY SCHOOLS A VISIT

Raleigh, March 19.—Mr. L. C. Brogden has returned from Pamlico county, where he visited the rural schools in that county. He reports splendid progress in every line of work, and was well pleased with what he found on his first visit there.

### WARNING SENT OUT.

Income Tax Collectors Told That No Disclosure of Returns Can Be Made.

Washington, March 19.—Warning was issued to all collectors of internal revenue tonight that income tax returns are inviolably confidential; that disclosures of returns is in violation of the law, and the slightest infraction will be punished. The warning was in the form of a letter from Secretary McAdoo to Commissioner Osborn.

There being no cases on docket, there was no session of police court yesterday afternoon.

## THE CONVENTION MAY BE HELD EARLY IN JUNE

Date Of Democratic Gathering To Be Changed

CHAIRMAN WALK INTERVIEWED

Hard At Work On His New Duties—Much Interest In The Proposed Change

A remark made yesterday by Thomas D. Warren, the new Chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, leads those who are familiar with the situation, to believe that an effort will be made when the Executive Committee meets in Raleigh on March 15 to set the date for the State Convention, to have the original date changed to about June 3.

Mr. Warren has not become thoroughly initiated into this new duties yet and is leaving his hands full keeping up with the correspondence and other work. A physical man dropped into his office this morning and found him engrossed in his work and with perspiration streaming down his forehead. "Well, have you and intimations as to what date will be selected for the State Convention?" quired the newspaper man of Mr. Warren. "Now, you have asked me a question which is entirely too direct and one which I would not dare to answer directly. There has been a great deal of commotion on account of the changing or the original date and I am in a quandary about it myself and am just waiting for the meeting of the Executive Committee to straighten the matter out."

"It has been suggested that I set the date by correspondence with the members of the Executive Committee, but this, it seems to me, would be almost an impossibility on account of the fact that it would require too much correspondence and, I am afraid that it would prove entirely unsatisfactory. Therefore I think that the call for the Executive Committee to meet and decide the matter, is the fairest and easiest way of settling the situation and agreeing upon a date."

"I was never more astonished in my life when, before leaving Raleigh, after being appointed Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, I was told that the date set for our convention conflicted with another convention. No one else, I am sure, had any idea that such was the case, and we were all surprised. Now, as to whether the date set will be in the latter part of June or in the first part of the month, I cannot say, can only guess. A number are in favor of the latter part of the month while many think that it should be along about the third of the month. However, the matter will be settled next Wednesday."

The general opinion in this part of the State, is that the date will be along in the first part of the month. This belief is born out of the fact that there are a number of events of importance to take place during the latter part of June and it is feared that if the date is set for the latter part of the month that there will be another conflict and further delay.

## WASHINGTON CITIZEN GETS THE APPOINTMENT

FRANK H. BRYAN SELECTED TO ACT AS REFEREE IN BANKRUPTCY

Washington, March, 18.—Attorney Frank H. Bryan of this city has been appointed by Judge Conner of the United States district Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina referee in bankruptcy. Mr. Bryan received his commission yesterday and has qualified. His territory will be the following counties: Beaufort, Washington, Pitt, Hyde, Tyrrell, Martin and Pamlico.

Mr. Bryan was appointed to succeed Mr. Collin H. Harding, who resigned to accept the position as inspector of land and titles for the government with headquarters at Marion, N. C.

Mr. Bryan is in every way qualified for the position to which he has just been appointed. He is a rising member of the bar here and has a bright and promising future. His selection is a most fortunate one.

## GREENSBORO MAN SAYS NICE THINGS ABOUT NEW BERN

John J. Phoenix Spends Few Days In The City

SEES MUCH PROGRESS HERE

Says That Senator Simmons Is The Greatest Man In The Senate

John J. Phoenix of Greensboro left for home yesterday after spending two days in the city. Mr. Phoenix is Secretary and Treasurer of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, which is located near Greensboro.

This home is maintained by the Masons of North Carolina as a retreat for the old and indigent members of their Order. A movement was recently inaugurated by the management of the home, to wipe out a Mortgage of \$10,000, now hanging over the institution.

Mr. Phoenix is making a visit to different Masonic lodges in behalf of this movement, and it was to consult with local Masons, he visited New Bern.

In an interview Mr. Phoenix was loud in his praise of the reception given him in this city. He said further: "I have not had the good fortune to visit your progressive city in over twenty years and I note on all sides many evidences of progress. I congratulate you on your splendid streets over which I motored today for hours without the sign of mud or holes."

"Some master mind must have planned out your system of street improvements. I see no reason why your city should not continue to grow and become the Metropolitan City of Eastern North Carolina."

"Your city also has reason to be proud of the home of that giant in Washington, who has given to our country the greatest piece of Legislation that has been placed upon our statute books during the past 30 years."

"Senator Simmons your distinguished townsman has fully measured up to the exigencies of the times, and started our great country upon an era of unparalleled prosperity."

"I am identified with the cotton mill business and we do not see or fear any business depression resulting from the operation of the new tariff bill, or the Glass, Owen Currency Bill. On the contrary, we are building new mills and enlarging old mills, looking forward to a big increase of business with the opening of the Panama Canal and the actual operations of the Tariff and Currency Measures."

"Have you ever noticed or realized," continued Mr. Phoenix, "that the offices of our country, the great legislation of the present day, is being carried out by men of Southern birth, and examining our chief Magistrate whose calm and conservative actions in all undertakings are the administration of the whole world, credited to New Jersey, but belongs to Virginia. Senator Glass and even President Wilson were all born in Va., within 100 miles of one another."

"Senator Simmons and Overman, two great leaders from North Carolina, Secretary Daniels from North Carolina, Page, Newcleans, Houston from N. C., Burgess from Texas, Underwood from Alabama, McReynolds, from Tennessee; McAdoo from Georgia, all the great men enumerated and many more are the sons of our Southland, and it behoove's every one of us to endorse their policies and in every way aid them in carrying our country forward."

"I return to Greensboro greatly pleased with my visit and under many obligations to those who have made my short stay so pleasant."

### INVITATION RECEIVED

Marriage At Cove City On April 20th.

The Journal acknowledges receipt of the following invitation:

Mr. and Mrs. Edward D. Avery request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Ruth Esther,

to

Mr. Herman L. Sasser, on the afternoon of Wednesday, the fifteenth of April, nineteen hundred and fourteen, at five-thirty o'clock at the Methodist Episcopal Church South, Cove City N. C.