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## JEALOUS NEGRO USES REVOLVER ON SWEETHEART

Alfred White Terrorizes Citizens of Pine Street.

### NOTORIOUS NEGRESS INJURED.

Josephine Phifer Struck by One Bullet—Edward Mann Escapes. Gunman Flees.

A shooting affray which may result in the death of Josephine Phifer, a notorious colored woman whose home is on Pine street, near Smith's hall, took place shortly before 7 o'clock last evening. Alfred White, alias "Dock" White, was the "man behind the gun" in the affair and succeeded in making his escape immediately after the shooting and is still at large.

Just how the trouble started is not known as the injured woman has been reticent in her account of the affair. However, the police believe that White became jealous of her attentions toward Edward Mann, also colored, and set out with the intention of getting revenge.

White, who terrorized a section of Pine street with his rapid-fire revolver, first turned his attention to Edward Mann who happened to be in that locality just at that time, and sent four bullets in his direction, intending to get rid of his hated rival. However, Mann seemed to bear a charmed life and managed to elude the leaden pellets as they came in his direction. Also he lost no time in shaking the dust of Pine street from his pedal extremities.

The Phifer woman was not so fortunate, possibly on account of the fact that she was not so nimble-footed, and one bullet fired at her lodged in her abdomen and inflicted serious if not fatal injury. During the time that the fusillade was in progress the inhabitants of that section became greatly alarmed and as soon as the sound of the last shot had died away and the would-be-murderer had left post haste for parts unknown, they swarmed out on the street and bedlam broke loose.

Chief of police Lupton, Captain A. L. Bryan and Policeman Whitford were on the scene a few minutes after the shooting and succeeded in dispersing the crowd and a search for White was made but it was learned that he had gone up to the coal chute and had probably boarded an outgoing train intending to go to some other town until the excitement had died down.

In the meantime a physician had been summoned to dress the wounds of the injured woman, and it was found that her condition was not so serious as first thought. An effort is being made to apprehend White.

## THE PRACTICE SCHOOL TO BEGIN ON MAY 4

COL. MAX L. BARKER RETIRES AFTER SEVENTEEN YEARS OF SERVICE.

Raleigh, N. C., March 28.—Announcement is made by Adjutant General Laurence W. Young of the North Carolina National Guard that the date for the officers' practice school for the guard is changed from May 12-17 to May 4-8, on account of the fact that the original dates conflict with the dates for the Democratic primaries and would necessitate the officers of the guard in all parts of this State being in Raleigh attending this school when the primaries are held.

The retirement of Col. Max L. Barker of the Coast Artillery with the rank of major, on account of 17 years of service as a member of the guard, is announced by Adjutant General Young. He was captain of the Salisbury military company in 1899, when he was made commander of the Coast Artillery when the corps was organized, and he has been the chief officer of this division of the militia ever since. Now he is succeeded by Major A. D. Kuskendall of Greensboro. Colonel Barker is now making his headquarters in Mason, Ga. He is in the service of the Southern Railway.

Organization is being formed from National Guard headquarters here to C.

## Another White House Wedding Coming



President and Mrs. Wilson recently announced the engagement of their daughter, Eleanor Randolph Wilson (right), to William Gibbs McAdoo (left). Miss Wilson will be the fourteenth White House bride. She is twenty-four years old. Mr. McAdoo is secretary of the treasury. He is fifty years old, and a widower with six children.

## AL. J. JENNINGS MAY PAY NEW BERN VISIT

FORMER TRAIN ROBBER BANDIT COMING TO NORTH CAROLINA.

J. Leon Williams, who is the leading spirit in the preparations being made for the big Home Coming Week, Aviation and Spring Racing Meet to be held in this city during the month of April, is busily at work in making arrangements for this great event and is planning a program which will by far surpass anything ever held in North Carolina.

Next Tuesday William Jennings Bryan, secretary of State, will make known his decision in regard to accepting the invitation to deliver the opening address and that day is anxiously awaited, not only by Mr. Williams but by every citizen of New Bern. It is believed that Mr. Bryan will accept the invitation and this will assure one of the greatest gatherings ever seen in the State.

It became known a few days ago that Al. J. Jennings of Oklahoma, would be in North Carolina during



the month of May and an attempt may be made to get him to visit New Bern during the week. Al Jennings is a former train robber bandit and is one of the few men who "came back" and established himself as a reputable lawyer. He is a candidate for the governorship of his home State. A few weeks ago Jennings published an article in the Saturday Evening Post entitled "Besting Back" and those who read this article will not miss the opportunity of seeing the man who has overcome such great difficulties and is now walking the "narrow path."

Mr. Williams is also getting together one of the largest and most spectacular midways that is to be held in this city. A complete program of the week will be announced soon.

## TWO MEN INJURED BY DYNAMITE EXPLOSION

CHARGE WENT OFF VERY UNEXPECTEDLY WITH SERIOUS RESULTS.

While dynamiting stumps on his place just east of Falling creek, yesterday morning, Mr. R. G. Hodges, brother of our townsman, Dr. J. M. Hodges, and a negro tenant, named Barker, were painfully injured.

Mr. Hodges was lighting a fuse to a charge of dynamite, and as the fuse had not "sputtered" was unaware that it was lighted and was still applying the torch when the charge went off. Mr. Hodges was blown about 30 feet, end over end, where he lay unconscious for a few moments, when he regained consciousness and went to Barker, who was nearer the place of the explosion, and who had been thrown about 15 feet in the air, according to parties who were nearby at work. Mr. Hodges succeeded in arousing the negro and ascertaining the extent of his injuries, which was a broken arm in two places, and the complete mangling of the bone between the two fractures, when his (Mr. Hodges') eyes began to pain him, and he closed them and has been unable to see, up to a late hour last night. It is not thought that Mr. Hodges will lose his sight, although his face is badly burned around the eyes. The negro will probably lose his arm.

BEAUFORT CITIZENS ASK US FOR ASSISTANCE.

The New Bern chamber of commerce, together with similar bodies in other east Carolina towns, has been asked by the Beaufort chamber of commerce to endorse Cape Lookout as government coaling base. The cape has already been selected as the site of a big harbor of refuge, and is the logical point for a coaling station, made necessary by the opening of the Panama canal, resolutions by the Beaufort chamber read. Action will probably be taken this week.

Chicago, March 28.—Edith Schuchert, 17, a social welfare worker at Brookfield, a suburb, who came to Chicago Friday in search of a larger field for her endeavors and disappeared, today was found destitute in a hotel in Cleveland, Ohio, according to a telegram received by her sister, Mrs. Willis Melville.

The girl is believed to have been taken to Cleveland by a man. Mrs. Melville left tonight for Cleveland to bring the girl home.

## Villa Renews Attack On Torreon-Federals Driven To Outskirts

Fiery Leader of Constitutionals Not Daunted by Previous Repulse, Again Attacks Federal Stronghold With Better Success, and Establishes Headquarters in Edge of City

Juarez, Mexico, March 28.—This city was in a turmoil of excitement today as report arrived with news of the occupation by the rebels of Lerdo and Gomez Palacio, and the attack on Torreon, and it was predicted that when Gen. Carranza as supreme chief of the revolution arrives here tomorrow he will be shown original dispatches that the conquest of all three cities is complete.

News of the Torreon assault came exclusively in official dispatches during the day.

General Herrera, with his own brigade and part of the Zaragoza brigade, all veterans, are reported to have entered Torreon from the east, 4,000 strong and to have fought their way from house to house and from street to street, until the bull ring on the northern fringe of the town had been taken together with the part of the city through which the railroad passes. This includes the business district or most of it.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon the Stirnau Hotel, in the heart of the city, was said to be in rebel hands and the armies were fighting for possession of the railroad shops.

City Reported Burning.

The city was reported burning in several places, but as the buildings are mostly of adobe there is no fear of a general conflagration.

Unofficial advices from the front were that the Federals were concentrated in their last defenses in the western part of the city.

A message, time 5 P. M., from Gomez Palacio, signed by Gen. Villa, said that he had concentrated his forces to force his way into Torreon there to join Gen. Herrera and take supreme command. Officials here declared that the Federals already had tried to escape from the city, but were driven back and were in no condition to withstand such an attack as that of which Villa gave notice in his telegram.

A telegram received at 4 o'clock from Gen. Villa says that practically all of Torreon including the entire business section is in the hands of the rebels.

Gen. Herrera, at the head of 4,000 men, is said to have entered the city from the east instead of the north, as at first reported, and is said to have fought his way through the streets to the bull ring on the northern edge of the city. A second telegram from Villa amended the first to show that the Federals were concentrated in their last defenses in the western portion of the city. Rebel officials here say that if the Federals do not hold their position there, they inevitably must be captured.

Villa was said to be preparing to renew the assault.

The same telegram says that Federal Generals Pena, Reyna and Anaya have been killed and Gen. Ocaranza seriously wounded.

Deputy Sheriffs Huff and Garrell accompany Young White Man Who is Mentally Unbalanced.

Yesterday Sperling H. Thomas, a well-known and popular young man about town, was taken to the hospital for the insane at Raleigh by Deputy Sheriffs John Huff and John Garrell.

For some months past the young man has been suspected of being slightly unbalanced at times, but only for the past few weeks has his abnormal mental condition become marked. He was brought up in this city, and is well-known throughout the section. He was of pleasing demeanor, and has held many responsible positions. He has been a traveling salesman. For a time he held a position in Charlotte.

His father, Mr. James Thomas, is a resident of this city. His mother and father separated some time ago, and his mother lives in Schenectady, N. Y., as does a brother.

Supreme Effort Made in the Thaw Concord, N. H., March 28.—Harry K. Thaw's last brief against extradition was filed in the Federal court here today.

William Travers Jerome had already filed his final brief.

Judge Aldrich is expected to set a date for his final hearing and after that hearing to give his decision on Thaw's petition for a writ of habeas corpus. The Thaw attorneys urge that the "purpose of the State of New York to return Thaw to Matteawan makes this a misuse of the extradition laws to accomplish their ends."

"If extradition is refused and if New York appeals, Thaw is entitled to bail as a matter of right," they contend.

The Nantucket is to be sold after advertisement in Norfolk, New York and Boston. Reports from New York marine engineers showed the steamer's estimated value to be \$185,000. The limited liabilities proceedings stop all other action against the Merchants' and Miners'.

## BIG MISSIONARY WEEK TO BEGIN THIS MORNING

Services To Be Held in All The Churches.

MISSIONS IN THE SCHOOLS

Interesting Program Prepared For The Occasion—Public Is Invited.

Today New Bern's Missionary Week begins. Services will be held at a number of the churches during the week and the public is extended a cordial invitation to attend. The following program has been prepared for the week:

Missionary Week in New Bern, Mar. 29-April 5, 1914.

Sunday, March 29—Watchword, "Evangelization."

11 a. m.—Missionary sermons in each church.

3 p. m.—Missions in the Sunday schools.

(1) Three minutes devoted to missions in each class.

(2) Five minutes devoted to missions with the whole school.

7:30 p. m.—Sermon in each church.

Monday, March 30—Watchword, "Efficiency."

11 a. m.—Pastor's Conference in Presbyterian Lecture Room, Dr. Summerell, chairman.

8 p. m.—Union service in Presbyterian church, A. D. Ward, chairman. Topic: "Efficiency."

Invocation, Hymn, Scripture—(1) "The Need of Better Business Methods in the Church," by A. D. Ward; (2) "The Pastor's Leadership," by Euclid H. McWhorter; (3) "The Young People's Society a Force in a Community," by J. M. Dick; (4) "The Place of Missions in the Sunday School," by R. J. Disoway; (5) "Enlisting the Whole Church in the Whole Work," by C. T. Hancock; (6) Conference led by L. B. Padgett. Hymn, Benediction.

Tuesday, March 31—Watchword: "Service."

8 p. m.—Union service in the Tabernacle Baptist church. Mrs. W. A. West, chairman.

Invocation, Hymn—(1) "Methodist Foreign Work," by Mrs. T. M. Hendren; (2) "Episcopal Missions," by Mrs. H. M. Bonner; (3) "Work of the Baptist Church," by Mrs. R. B. Smith; (4) Song service; (5) "Mission Work of the Disciples," by Miss Etta Nunn; (6) "Work Accomplished by the Red Cross Society," by Miss Myrtle Disoway; (7) "Presbyterian Mission," by Mrs. C. S. Hollister; (8) "Home Work of the Methodists," by Mrs. J. T. Hollister; (9) Report of the "Benevolent Society," by Mrs. T. G. Hyman; (10) "Woman's Christian Temperance Union," by Mrs. C. I. Ives.

Wednesday, April 1—Topic: "The Power of a United Church in a Community." W. F. Abberley, chairman.

8 p. m.—Union service in Methodist church.

Luncheon—(1) "The Christian Man in His Community," by S. F. Abberley; (2) "The Anointing for the Missionary Community," by W. F. Abberley; (3) "The Anointing for the Missionary Service," by A. A. Lee; (4) "Christ's Call to the Men of this Generation," by S. M. Brinson; (5) "The Present Missionary Opportunity," by W. H. Trueman.

Thursday, April 2—Watchword: "Intercession."

7:30 p. m.—Simultaneous Prayer Service in each church. Each church praying for a special field.

Friday, April 3—Watchword: "Consecration."

4 p. m.—Union services in First Baptist church. A mass meeting for all children. T. B. Padgett, chairman.

8 p. m.—Union service in the Christian church. A meeting for all the young people of the community. T. B. Padgett, chairman. (1) "Choosing your life work," by J. E. Reynolds; (2) "The Challenge to Service," by J. M. Cade; (3) "Qualification for Service," by J. E. Reynolds.

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Sunday, April 5—

church.