

NOAH FRICK MEETS DEATH BY NEGRO'S ACT

Mr. Noah F. Frick, one of the best known farmers of the Fork section and a highly respected citizen, living at Chapin, was fatally shot by Will Allen, a negro tenant living on his place about a mile from the town of Chapin. The shooting occurred at 1:15 o'clock. The sheriff's office was notified and Sheriff Roof, being away on other business, Deputy Sheriff Oswald proceeded immediately to the scene of the crime, but the negro had already left when he arrived little more than an hour after the shooting. According to Mr. Oswald the negro remained in his house after the shooting and remained there only about five minutes, being heard to remark as he left, "I had as leave kill a hundred as one." He was armed when last seen with a Winchester repeating rifle and a single-barreled shotgun. It is believed that he made for the river swamp around Peak, which he is said to be quite familiar with.

The following account from The State of this morning gives the details of the affair:

Noah F. Frick, prominent Chapin farmer, was shot and fatally wounded on the road about three quarters of a mile from his home near Chapin at 3:10 o'clock this afternoon by Will Allen, a negro share cropper on Mr. Frick's farm, according to Calvin Fulmer and Enoch Frick, eyewitnesses of the tragedy. Mr. Frick was brought to Columbia immediately after the shooting and was carried to the Baptist hospital, where he was operated upon in an effort to save his life. Mr. Frick entered the operating room at 8 o'clock, dying there at about 10:30 o'clock. The ball, fired from a large calibre rifle, entered the abdomen, producing a fearful wound.

Mr. Frick was shot in the public road just in front of Allen's house on Mr. Frick's farm, according to Calvin Fulmer, one of the two eyewitnesses of the shooting. Mr. Fulmer had been over to the negro's house to see about some laundry work, which Allen's wife was to have done, and was just leaving when he met Mr. Frick and his son, Enoch Frick, in a wagon coming toward the negro's house, where Mr. Frick was to supervise the dividing of a share crop of fodder which Allen had raised. Mr. Fulmer stopped beside the wagon to talk with Mr. Frick, he said, and saw the negro come from his house about 150 yards away carrying a Winchester rifle in his right hand. The negro, Mr. Fulmer said, approached the wagon and then fired, telling Mr. Frick, "Now's the time to settle the affair." Mr. Frick fell over in the wagon and the boy, Enoch, jumped out of the wagon, running to bring help. The mules, hitched to the wagon, became frightened and while Mr. Fulmer was busy catching and quieting them the negro turned and went back into the house after aiming his gun at both the fleeing boy and Mr. Fulmer, apparently undecided as to whether he should also shoot them.

Brought to Columbia. Noticing that Mr. Frick was still living, Mr. Fulmer got into the wagon and drove back to Chapin where medical attention was secured. Dr. J. W. Eargle of Chapin and Dr. Claud Dease of Little Mountain both being called in. Mr. Frick was then placed on the train and brought to Columbia for hospital treatment. He was accompanied to the hospital by Mr. Fulmer and relatives. In the meanwhile the news of the shooting had been spread throughout the neighboring country and bloodhounds ordered out from Newberry.

The trouble between Mr. Frick and the negro, who has been working for Mr. Frick as a share cropper for two years, is of a year's standing, according to Mr. Fulmer. A year ago the negro had carried two bales of cotton to a gin at Chapin, one bale being somewhat lighter than the other. The cotton seed was sold immediately and the money divided between Mr. Frick and the negro. The seed from the second bale, the lighter of the two, was also somewhat lighter than the seed secured from the first bale and the negro, Mr. Fulmer said, accused Mr. Frick of cheating him out of his money, alleging that he had brought the same amount of seed cotton for

both bales. Mr. Frick told the negro that he had not had anything to do with the weighing of the seed and was therefore not responsible for any mistake if any had been made. The amount in dispute totaled only about \$2.50, Mr. Fulmer said.

Trouble Last Saturday. Last Saturday, Mr. Fulmer said, Allen came to Mr. Frick's house and demanded to be paid for some fodder he had pulled and also asked for the money "due" him for the cotton seed. Mr. Frick, according to his son, Enoch, offered to pay for the fodder but told the negro that he did not owe him any money for cotton seed. "You're a damn liar," the negro replied, the boy says. Mr. Frick then advised the negro, Enoch says, "Allen don't call me a damn liar in my yard," and the negro went outside the gate and after cursing Mr. Frick threw a rock at him. Mr. Frick returned the throw, both missing their aim, and Enoch also threw a rock at the negro, he says. The negro left and nothing more was heard of the incident.

Yesterday morning Allen sent a negro boy over to Mr. Frick's house to ask Mr. Frick to come over and divide some fodder. Mr. Frick was busy at the time and Harry Frick, his third oldest son, went over to the negro's house instead. The negro refused to let the boy divide the fodder and told him to go get Mr. Frick. The boy returned with this message and after dinner Mr. Frick hitched up the wagon and accompanied by his son, Enoch, set out for the negro's house.

Mr. Frick was one of the most prominent farmers in this section of Lexington county and was a leader in the school and church life of the community. He is survived by his widow and five sons, C. B. Frick of Chilton, E. J. Frick of Pelzer and Harry Frick, Enoch Frick and Brady Lee Frick, all of Chapin.

GILBERT MASON'S GIVE ENJOYABLE PICNIC

Gilbert lodge No. 176, A. F. M., did itself proud in arranging the program which was carried out at Gilbert Saturday, when some of the most prominent and best speakers in the Masonic fraternity were there and delivered instructive and inspiring addresses, to which the public generally had been invited. The meeting was held in the open air, and was attended by hundreds of people, Masons and others. A bountiful barbecue and picnic dinner was spread at the noon hour, and it may be said here that it was not the least enjoyable feature of the day.

The following program was carried out, opened by an invocation by Rev. W. A. Shepard:

Address of welcome by Cyrus L. Shealy of Lexington.

"The Ancient Mysteries and Modern Masonry," by C. C. Fishburne of Columbia.

"Masonry, An Idea Above Organization," by Waller Bailey of Columbia.

"Relationship of Masonry to Religion," by Legare Inglesby of Columbia.

"Masonry as a Practical Force," by James H. Fowles, of Columbia, district deputy grand master.

"The Best Thing in the World," by O. Frank Hart, of Columbia, grand secretary of the Masonic order in South Carolina.

The exercises and the dinner were thoroughly enjoyed by those fortunate enough to be present.

J. D. JORDAN MANAGER OF DUPRE AUTO CO.

Mr. J. D. Jordan, who for more than two years has been connected with the Dupre Auto Company in the capacity of salesman, has been appointed manager of the concern to take place of Mr. W. E. Humphries, recently resigned. Mr. Jordan has made many friends since coming to Lexington, who are predicting that he will have a fine success as manager of the Dupre Auto Company, which concern is the local sales agency and service station for Ford automobiles, Fordson tractors and other farm machinery. Mr. Jordan is a native of Greenwood county.

Mr. Humphries has not yet announced his plans for the future.

IMPORTANT MEET OF TRUCKERS NEXT SATURDAY

Farmers and business men of the Brookland section are urged to be present at New Brookland next Saturday, August 27, at 10:30 a. m., for the purpose of taking steps to form a cooperative marketing association. Dr. W. W. Long, head of the extension service of Clemson College, and Mr. J. W. Shealy, county demonstration agent, and perhaps others will be on hand to talk of the good to be accomplished by such a movement. A large crowd is expected to be on hand. The section around Brookland is particularly noted as being the center of one of the best trucking sections of the state. The farmers have all along practiced diversified agriculture and are in no wise dependent upon king cotton. But they believe that while they are good producers they have something to learn about marketing. It is for the purpose of laying particular stress on this phase of the farmers problem an dto make a beginning toward the organization of an association that will be of great help that this meeting has been called.

In a strong appeal for the meeting, which is being sent out from prominent citizens who are interested appears the following:

"Every farmer and business man and woman in Lexington county is earnestly invited to be present.

"These are no times to be idle.

"We must learn, organize and work.

"Let us, one and all, come and hear and learn from these experienced men.

"Don't forget the day and the hour. Saturday, August 27th, 10:30 a. m., New Brookland."

BOLL WEEVIL DAMAGE WILL BE EXTENSIVE

According to reports from all parts of the county the boll weevil damage in Lexington county is going to be very heavy this year. Owing to the absence of a late or top crop of young bolls for the weevil to feast upon the pests are attacking the grown bolls and farmers who had believed they had a crop practically safe are awaking to the realization that their crop will be very much shorter than they at first anticipated.

Mr. W. P. Roof brought from his farm one day recently a stalk of cotton containing 29 practically grown bolls of cotton, all of which had been ruined by the boll weevil. Mr. Roof poisoned the weevil, using two applications. He does not expect to gather from 40 acres of cotton enough to pay for the expense of poisoning, let alone the other expenses. Other farmers are reporting like experiences.

Mr. J. D. Jordan, manager of the Dupre Auto Company, who has just returned from a visit to his old home in Greenwood, reports the same condition prevailing in that county.

PINEY WOODS PICNIC WAS PLEASANT OCCASION

The picnic of the Piney Woods local of the Farmers Union, which was held Saturday last, August 20, was a decided success in every way. One of the largest crowds ever attending this annual event enjoyed the day from every standpoint. Topics of interest to farmers were discussed by the speakers and much valuable thought was expressed during the day. An interesting exhibit was a showing of pure bred short horn cattle, which the farmers of that section are beginning to introduce in their plans for diversification.

Addresses were delivered by Prof. S. M. Derrick, Rev. J. J. Long and Messrs. W. J. Shealy and D. Frank Efrid, all of whom had some definite message to bring to the farmers. The addresses proved interesting and instructive.

The dinner, it goes without saying, was more than good. The good people of the Fork have always believed in living at home and have practiced what they preached. They spread a bountiful table of the best "eats" imaginable, and none went away without feeling more than satisfied.

From the waste of margarine, soap is produced.

TAXES LOWER BY 5 MILLS

As the time for paying taxes will soon be at hand, it will interest the taxpayers of the county to know that the levy for state and county purposes will be lower by at least 5 mills this year than in 1920. The total levy for state and county purposes, including the constitutional three mill school tax, will be 30 mills, as against 35 mills the year before. Of this 4 mills is for past indebtedness, which brings the actual for this year considerably below the 1920 levy. In addition to the reduction above, W. D. Dent, county auditor, has taken 2 mills special tax for bonds out of five school districts, there being a sufficient surplus in the sinking funds of these districts to take care of the bonds without trouble. Congaree, No. 29, Batesburg No. 18, Chapin No. 66, Swansea No. 37, Leesville No. 15, all of which have outstanding bond issues for school purposes, will be relieved of two mills tax for the retirement of their bonds because of the surplus on hand to these accounts. Mr. Dent has done some figuring in order to be able to lighten the burden as much as possible, and he announced yesterday with pardonable pride that his calculations showed the taxpayers would have a substantial reduction.

The levy for state and county purposes this year will be made up as follows:

State.....	12	mills	
Constitutional tax for schools.....	3	mills	
County purposes.....	7	1-2	mills
Weak schools.....	1-2	mill	
Loan past indebtedness.....	4	mills	
-Augusta highway.....	3	mills	
Total.....	30	mills	

LEO COTNEY SHOT NEAR LEXINGTON

Brookland Man Fired Upon in Road. Leo Cotney of Brookland was shot and painfully wounded early last night about two miles this side of Lexington, two pistol balls entering the flesh of his legs. George Shealey, who lives near the outskirts of Brookland, is alleged to have fired the shots and late last night Lexington officers were searching for him. He is said to have fled into the woods about half way between Lexington and Brookland.

Cotney and his companion, Clyde Reynolds, were about two miles out of Lexington last night when they had trouble with their automobile. They were on the ground attempting to make repairs when some one drove up in a car, according to the story reaching Brookland last night, and opened fire. Four shots are said to have been fired at the young men as they were standing near the car, two shots entering the flesh of Cotney's legs.

The wounded man was brought to Brookland soon after the shooting and medical attention given. Dr. W. A. Oxner examined the wounds and found both balls still in the flesh.—The State, August 18.

Mr. Shealy was arrested and after examination by a physician was sent to the State Hospital, where he had formerly been a patient.

RED BANK WINS SECOND STRAIGHT GAME

Red Bank and Batesburg played a five inning game of ball Saturday, August 20. The score was 17 to 1 in favor of Red Bank. Berry pitched a one hit game, striking out 11 of 15. Batteries were: Berry and Roof for Red Bank; Rhoden and Hendrix for Batesburg.

Red Bank and Olympia will play a game of ball August 27th, at Red Bank.

DEWEY BERRY, Mgr. A BIRTHDAY PICNIC.

The wife and I will have our seventy-sixth birthday picnic at our home near Pond Branch church, 4 miles south of Gilbert, on next Saturday, the 27th. Everybody is invited to come and enjoy the day with us, bring all the children and let's have a happy day. There will be songs by the children at 10:30 sharp, then speaking after dinner. The children will engage in innocent plays.

G. W. LEWIS.

WILL ALLEN LYNCHED FOR MURDER OF FRICK

MIDWAY FAIR WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

The community fair held at Midway school house last Thursday was a decided success financially and as to exhibits. This school is situated in one of the most prosperous communities of the county, and whatever these people undertake they put over in grand style.

The exhibits were displayed in two rooms of the school building, one containing fancy work and fancy cooking, contributed by the ladies of the district, and a finer layout has seldom been seen.

On the farm products side of the house every fruit and vegetable that can be grown in this section was represented in the display, which could not be surpassed in quality by any community.

The fair was given by the Ladies' Improvement league of Midway school for the improvement of the school, just now funds being needed with which to pay for a piano recently purchased, and for other improvements which will be made from time to time to keep this institution up-to-date in every respect.

The school next session will be under the management of Prof. Ira Wingard, assisted by his sister, and under the guidance of these people it is predicted that the school will continue to prosper.

FORMER LEXINGTONIAN LOST LIFE IN MACON FIRE

The body of Mr. John K. Hayes, who was killed when he jumped from a third story window in a hotel in Macon, Ga., in an attempt to escape from the burning building, arrived in Lexington Tuesday and funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon and burial was had at the George burying ground at Laurel Falls.

Mr. Hayes was 65 years old, and at the time of his death was a judicial magistrate in his adopted home in Macon. He was a native of Lexington county and numbered a large circle of relatives and friends throughout the county. He first removed to Columbia, where for a number of years he was superintendent of the Saluda cotton mills. Later he removed to Georgia, where he was highly esteemed and where he was living at the time of the accident which deprived him of life.

Mr. Hayes leaves four sisters as follows: Mrs. Perry Hall of Steadman, Mrs. Lucy Griffith, Columbia; Mrs. W. H. Evans, Macon, Ga.; Mrs. J. A. Hughes, Sherman, Texas.

FIVE IN RACE FOR OFFICE PROBATE JUDGE

The time for filing pledges and paying assessments to enter the race of probate judge in the coming primary election to fill the unexpired term caused by the death of Judge George S. Drafts expired Tuesday noon, with five candidates announced, as follows: A. D. Martin, Chas. E. Taylor, J. Drafts Boozer, Walter F. Hook, and J. E. Buff.

LIGHTNING KILLS COWS OF MR. D. E. SHUMPERT

Mr. D. E. Shumpert, one of the county's well known farmers, had the misfortune to lose a fine cow and calf from a stroke of lightning last Sunday, the 21st. The animal was one of Mr. Shumpert's best cows. Seven other cows were in the pasture at the time, but none of the others were injured.

IT IS PREVALENT EVERYWHERE

(New York Item in Indianapolis Star) Jim Corbett says he never saw so many young men these days affected with Broadway fever. "And what is Broadway fever?" a friend at the Lambs inquired. "Well," said Corbett, "they eat well and sleep well, but they have no desire for work."

Wanted Information

"I can see the tips of your ears, dearie!" "Well what of it?" "Is that an accident or are ears coming back gradually?"

Will Allen, who shot and mortally wounded Noah F. Frick at Chapin yesterday afternoon, was captured this afternoon at 1:15 o'clock about three miles above Chapin and was immediately put to death by a mob of several hundred men.

Allen was captured in Newberry county, just across the line from Lexington. He was discovered hiding in a ditch by members of the searching party and gave up when he found he had been cornered. It is said he was carrying a Winchester rifle of .38 calibre at the time, and on being discovered dropped the gun and asked the men not to shoot; to give him time to pray.

Rural Policemen Koon and Fogle of Richland county were in the party that located Allen, but the officers were unable to protect the negro from the crowd that had gathered with the avowed intention of punishing the criminal. Sheriff Roof arrived a few minutes after the negro had been taken but was held back by members of the mob, he being unable to reach the prisoner.

Allen was taken prisoner in Newberry county but the searching party returned to the Lexington side to do the killing. It is said the negro was stood up in the open field and several hundred shots fired through him. Men viewing the body after the shooting say that it was torn completely to pieces.

Deputy Sheriff H. C. Oswald stated today that the report printed in the morning papers to the effect that Allen had remained on the porch of his home for several hours after the shooting, yesterday afternoon with a gun in his hands defying the officers, was incorrect. Mr. Oswald says that he arrived on the scene in about an hour after the shooting, and that Allen had already left the house when he got there.

DIVINE SERVICES AT RED BANK CHURCH

Divine services will be held at Red Bank church for three nights next week, beginning Monday at 8 o'clock and continuing through Wednesday night. Rev. J. W. Oxner of New Brookland and Rev. C. J. Sox of Lexington will do the preaching.

AMERICAN LEGION TO MEET THURSDAY

The regular monthly meeting of the Lexington post of the American Legion will be held in the legion rooms over the offices of Efrid & Carroll Thursday (tomorrow) night at 8:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present at this meeting, at which time delegates will be elected to represent the post at the state convention.

CHICKEN STEW AND ICE CREAM FESTIVAL

A chicken stew and ice cream festival will be the season's feature in the Factory Village, at the home of J. Arthur Harman, Saturday night, August 27th, for the benefit of the Junior Order. The public is invited and a grand time promised all who attend.

SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT

The Improvement League of Oakville No. 77 school district, Gilbert, Route 2, will furnish a barbecue and refreshments on the 27th of August, at the school house, for the benefit of the school. Price of dinner will be 40c and 50c. A delightful dinner and good time is promised all who attend.

A FINE WATERMELON.

The Dispatch-News man is indebted to Mr. J. Walter Harmon of the Peters section for one of the finest watermelons seen in some time. The melon was of a delicious taste and weighed 61 pounds. Mr. Harmon is a fine farmer and makes a specialty of raising fine melons for the market.

BON HEUR CLUB.

Mrs. Sam P. Roof will entertain the Bon Heur Club Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. Salad oil is obtained from fruit stones and pits.