

**The Bamberg Herald**

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The Herald this week prints a lengthy article from the pen of Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, of Raleigh, N. C. Mr. Poe presents the causes of the war in a most illuminating manner, and we feel sure that no one can read what Mr. Poe says without having a clearer conception of what the war with Germany means to America. It may be said that few people are more capable of discussing this important question than Mr. Poe. He has traveled extensively, and had given special study to European conditions for many years before the outbreak of the present war.

**MISTRIAL IN McPHAIL CASE.**

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about any other names. On cross examination, witness said he was a good friend of McPhail. Said McPhail's auto horn did not sound when he came from Bamberg. He was at home at time. Walker's house is about 100 yards from his store. Went on porch when auto came. Admitted Walker had looked at some liquor packages on one occasion when McPhail was present; McPhail said nothing. On redirect examination, witness said he was friendly with Walker. Said McPhail said he regretted killing; that he was the best friend Walker ever had.

B. D. Donald said he lives two and a half miles from Midway. Was with McPhail Saturday night when he arrived at Midway. Car stopped at well, near Lawson's store; Glover got out of car; car went on immediately to a point near Steedly's store. Saw Walker cut at negro and chase him toward pile of cross ties. Witness then jumped out of car. Heard Walker cursing. When witness had about reached depot, he heard shots. Heard Mrs. Walker call to McPhail to come to her. Witness said when he left car McPhail was still in it. Was only about one minute from time car first stopped at well until shooting occurred. There was no one in the car except McPhail when he got out. Said he did not hear McPhail speak to Walker or Mrs. Walker. Does not know who fired shots. Identified pistol as McPhail's .38 special. Said McPhail did not blow horn.

Cross examination: When car first arrived at well, saw four or five persons; all was quiet. Heard no words. Said Walker was cutting at negro with knife in right hand. Glover said nothing that witness heard. Said Glover did not fall down, as stated in his affidavit. Admitted he was behind depot when shots were fired, and could not see shooting. Afterward saw body. Right hand was under body, left hand by side. Did not notice anything in left hand. Denied telling Dodenhoff McPhail killed Walker. On redirect examination, witness said his affidavit, made in application for bail, was substantially correct.

**Elliott Glover.**

Elliott Glover, who was indicted jointly with McPhail, but not on trial at this time, was the next witness. Was with McPhail when he came to Midway from Bamberg. Was in front seat with McPhail. Stopped at well to get some water. Heard loud talking. Heard Walker and Mrs. Walker cursing each other. Said Walker told him to move on off and struck at him with knife. Ran off toward pile of cross ties, circled back behind automobile; stopped near seed house, when shots were fired. Walker was chasing him. Did nothing to Walker. Came back after shooting. Said he hollered to McPhail when Walker was chasing him "Mr. Mack, don't let this man kill me." McPhail was in car. He guessed it was several minutes after he got out of car until shots were fired. He was 25 or 30 feet away when he heard shots. Said Walker told him he would blow his brains out. He identified the coat he wore that night, which had the appearance of having been cut.

On cross examination, said he had never had any trouble with Walker. Said he stumbled and fell when Walker was after him. Walker caught hold of him when he fell, striking at him. On redirect examination, the negro said he had left the coat with Mrs. McPhail that night and had not seen it since until he saw it in court.

Mrs. W. L. McPhail, wife of the defendant, testified that she had never seen her husband have but one pistol, the .38 special. Said she owned a pistol herself, but it was in possession of her mother at that time. Said positively McPhail had never owned a .32 calibre pistol that she knew of.

J. Y. Hicks was at home in bed at time. He heard loud talking and then three shots. On cross examination said he did not see powder burns on the deceased. Admitted signing affidavit that he saw powder burns. Dr. J. J. Cleckley was questioned

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as to the effect of a pistol shot that produced instant death. Said a person so, shot might either hold or turn loose any object held in the hand. On cross examination Dr. Cleckley said he could not explain it if one hand opened and the other remained closed.

Mrs. Anna Steedly, wife of Drew Steedly, said she heard Mrs. Walker curse her husband; did not hear threat. Said she heard quarreling before and after auto came. After shooting she heard Mrs. Walker call to McPhail three times; said her husband had been killed. Said all shots were close together, firing toward Charleston. McPhail came to her house; said somebody had killed Walker.

Ed. Williams testified that on Monday before the killing he heard Mrs. Walker make threats against her husband. On cross examination, the witness admitted that Mrs. Walker had charged him with stealing some years ago.

**Body Not Tamped With.**

H. D. Free testified that he went to Midway as a deputy for Sheriff Ray, the sheriff being out of town. Used flashlight and lamps to inspect body; saw pistol and knife in Walker's hands. Is satisfied that the body had not been disturbed; saw no tracks or indications that it had been tampered with. Testified that pistol found in Walker's hand belonged to witness.

Miss Eloise Stevenson testified Mrs. Walker told her some time after killing that she did not see McPhail kill Walker, and that she said so because he was the only one there who had a pistol.

Mrs. B. D. Donald corroborated what Miss Stevenson had testified to. She stated to the solicitor that she was a sister of Drew Steedly, with whom it was alleged Mrs. Walker had trouble day of killing.

J. H. Hutto corroborated the testimony of H. D. Free. Said finger of right hand was caught behind trigger of pistol. Was satisfied no one had tampered with body.

Dr. Cleckley, recalled, said powder burns would not occur if the pistol was further away than twelve inches when black powder is used; shorter distance if smokeless powder is used.

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**SHERIFF'S TAX SALE.**

By virtue of an execution directed to me by G. A. Jennings, treasurer of Bamberg county, I, S. G. Ray, sheriff of the said county, have levied upon and will sell to the highest bidder, in front of the court house door during the legal hours of sale, on Monday, the 1st day of October, 1917, the same being salesday in said month, the following described real estate, to-wit:

All those certain lots of land situated in the town of Denmark, S. C., known as lots Nos. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, in Block No. 37. Said lots to be sold as the property of the South Bound Land and Improvement company for taxes due and owing the county of Bamberg and the State of South Carolina.

Terms of sale: Cash, purchaser to pay for papers.  
S. G. RAY,  
Sheriff of Bamberg County,  
Bamberg, S. C., Sept. 11, 1917.

**NOTICE OF SALE.**

By virtue of a decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Bamberg County, S. C., heretofore made in the case of Mrs. Rosa D. Clayton against J. C. Copeland, et al, I, J. J. Brabham, Jr., Judge of Probate for Bamberg County, will sell on Monday, October 1st, 1917, during the usual hours of sale, before the Court House door, in the Town of Bamberg, to the highest bidder or bidders, for cash, purchasers to pay for papers, the two following described tracts of land, in two separate sales, the smaller tract to be sold first, and the purchaser or purchasers to be required to immediately put up one hundred dollars cash on each tract as earnest money, to be forfeited in the event that the bid on said respective tract is not complied with.

These two tracts come together, and comprise one entire tract of 164 acres.

**FIRST TRACT.**

All that piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in Bamberg County, State of South Carolina, measuring and containing sixty-four acres, more or less, and bounded on the North by the run of Little Saltkeatchie river, on the East and South by lands of Mrs. Carrie B. Smith, and on the West by lands now or formerly of J. L. Copeland.

**ALSO**

All that piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the State and County aforesaid, measuring and containing one hundred acres, more or less, and bounded on the North by lands of Mrs. Carrie B. Smith, on the East by lands of I. W. Rentz, on the South by lands of J. W. Copeland and L. L. Copeland, and on the West by lands now or formerly of J. L. Copeland.

J. J. BRABHAM, JR.,  
Judge of Probate.  
Bamberg, S. C., Sept. 8, 1917.

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—Mr. G. W. Jenny, of Jenny was in the city on business Monday.  
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