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SAVED FROM BRUTE BY SHEPHERD DOG.

Alabama Negro Lynched for Attempted Criminal Assault—Husband Fired First Shot.

Florence, Ala., March 24.—Cleveland Harding, the negro who attempted to assault Mrs. Ben F. Rice, near here Friday, and who was driven off by Mrs. Rice's shepherd dog, was summarily executed today by a mob of 200 or 300 persons. Tied to a tree with his arms up, the negro was riddled with bullets, the first shot, it is said, being fired by Rice, following which every man in the crowd emptied his revolver at the prisoner. Over 1,000 shots were fired. The negro was captured today half a mile below town and was taken before Mrs. Rice who fainted at sight of him. Upon recovering she fully identified her assailant and on being asked what should be done with him, told the negro's captors to do as they thought best. Harding was taken a short distance from the Rice home where a conference of the mob leaders was held. Some said burn him, but shooting was decided on.

Beyond confessing his guilt, the negro had nothing to say and was stolidly indifferent, it seemed, to his fate. The body was left tied to the tree by the mob, members of which made no attempt to shield their identity. The sheriff overtook the crowd before the lynching but his appeals were unavailing.

Unique Double Wedding.

Snoma, N. D.—A unique double wedding, at which a man, aged 60, married a girl aged 20 and his son, aged 38, married her mother, aged 44, was celebrated at the Barrett Ranch north of Snoma.

Richard Ellsworth, a widower, and his son, Keene Ellsworth, lived on a ranch adjoining that of Mrs. Emma Barrett, a widow and her daughter.

The wedding was a quiet one, only a few friends of the contracting parties witnessing the ceremony. Father and son and mother and daughter started south immediately after the ceremony and will spend a month there.

Young Ellsworth will take charge of the Barrett ranch, and his father will live with his young bride on the Ellsworth ranch.

AN IMPORTANT LETTER

To Patrons and Carriers of Rural Routes.

A letter from Hon. A. F. Lever to Mr. S. J. Leaphart, our very accommodating and efficient postmaster, explains itself:

Washington, D. C., March 23, 1907.

Mr. S. J. Leaphart, Lexington, S. C. DEAR SIR:—It is very important that all patrons and carriers of rural routes in this county should bestir themselves to increase the patronage of the routes. The Department in Washington is enforcing the rule which requires all full length routes to handle three thousand pieces of mail per month. All interested in this service should see to it that everything is done to bring the routes up to the average required by the Department.

Very truly,
A. F. LEVER.

Washington, D. C., March 18, 1907.

Hon. A. F. Lever, House of Representatives.

SIR:—Referring again to your letter of the 28th ultimo requesting the completion of the rural delivery service in Lexington county, South Carolina, you are advised that the investigation will be made upon the receipt of an accurate road map of this county. The records indicate, however, that the amount of mail handled on some of the rural routes in Lexington county is below the average, and while every effort will be made to adjust them so as to make it possible to maintain daily service, it may be necessary to place the routes referred to on a tri-weekly basis.

The postmaster at Lexington has been requested to furnish the Department with a road map of the county at the earliest practicable date.

Very respectfully,
P. R. DEGRAW,
Fourth Assistant Postmaster General.

Dots from Pinoy Woods.

To the Editor of the Dispatch: Mr. Cal Fulmer is again able to be up and about. He was very ill a few weeks previous to this writing.

March has been very favorable to the farmers so far. They are busy

preparing their lands for another crop.

Prof. M. P. Lindler will close the school at Pine Ridge on Good Friday with dialogues, recitations and music by the scholars. We are expecting a lively time. Everybody is invited. Come and bring well filled baskets, as we will need such to help make the day enjoyable.

Prof. R. W. Frick, Jr., will close his school sometime in April with exercises.

The infant baby of Mr. and Mrs. Seba Fulmer died Friday morning, March 23, and was buried the same afternoon at 4 o'clock, by Rev. E. J. Sox. It was only a week old.

Sunday school was organized at St. Peter's the third Sunday in this month. Rev. Sox will preach at St. Peter's on Good Friday at 11 o'clock.

You may again hear from
Patron.

Transfers of Real Estate.

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded in the clerk's office since last week:

Samuel B. George, clerk, to O. H. George, 141 acres in Bolling Springs township for \$275.

South Bound Land & Improvement Co., to L. J. Frink, 27 5/8-100 acres in Congaree township for \$1,377.

Samuel F. Wheeler and others to Henry F. Wheeler, 159 2/3 acres in Saluda township for \$1,117.60.

James H. Price to W. G. Burdell, lot in Brookland for \$425.

H. R. Goodwin and J. W. Conner to E. Scott Kyzer, one acre in Congaree township for \$50.

Littia Eichelberger to J. M. Carson, lot in Irmo for \$175.

Paul A. Eichelberger to W. A. Smith, lot in Irmo for \$275.

W. W. Watson to R. H. Timmerman and others, lot in Batesburg for \$1,525.

R. H. Timmerman and others to Mrs. Lottie T. Timmerman, lot in Batesburg for \$1,625.

P. C. Price to Andrew Davis, 76 1/2 acres in Congaree township for \$1,000.

P. H. Corley to Geo. W. Corley, Sr., 39 acres in Lexington township for \$1,500.

Ice Plant for Newberry.

The city of Newberry is to have an ice plant, which will begin operations this week. Mr. J. H. Wicker is the manager.

MOB FIRES UPON HELPLESS WOMEN.

One Killed and Another is Seriously Wounded.

Danville, Va., March 25.—A special to The Register from Stuart, Va., which is about 75 miles from Danville, says:

"As the result of an attack by a mob of men on Sunday night, Annie Hall, a white woman residing near Charity, Patrick county, was shot to death and her sister, Jane Hall, seriously wounded. The accounts of the killing are very meagre and the killing is supposed to have been the work of illicit distillers of whiskey. The murdered woman and her sister lived in a cottage with their nephew, and it is alleged they have been acting in the capacity of spies and have been reporting to the revenue officers the whereabouts of the illicit distillers and the names of the operators. This infuriated the 'moonshiners,' it is reported, and a band of them, about a dozen in number, came to the house at a late hour at night and opened fire. Volley after volley was fired by the mob and the house was literally riddled with bullets. The man happened on Sunday night to be absent and consequently escaped injury. It was evidently the intention of the mob to murder all three of the occupants.

Charles F. Deal Shot Dead.

Charles Francis Deal, a brother of Dr. S. M. and Attorney A. M. Deal of Columbia, was shot to death at Blacksburg Monday by William Mills, a cotton mill operative. Mills, so the story goes, called Deal out of the office of the Whitaker Cotton Mill and after talking with him for ten or fifteen minutes shot him down, Deal dying an hour later. Mills claims that he killed Deal because he was too intimate with his wife, but in Deal's dying declaration he denies the charge. There were no eye-witnesses to the tragedy.

Mr. Deal was married only about six months ago, was well liked and leaves a large family connection. Mills has been separated from his wife for more than a year. He tried to escape, but was captured and sent to the Gaffney jail.

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