

## THE FOURTH ANNUAL HORSE SHOW MARCH 27-28, 1912 WILL BE A BIG EVENT

### THE HILLSVILLE TRAGEDY.

Further Developments in the Court House Assassination Horror.

Immediately following the bloody tragedy at Hillsville, Va., on last Thursday, Gov. Mann, of Virginia, at the entire machinery of the law work and announced that the resources of the commonwealth would be exhausted, if necessary, to vindicate the majesty of the law.

The first step of the governor was to designate Judge Staples to be charge in place of the assassinated Judge Massie, and to send Attorney General Williams to the scene to help get the machinery of the law in order. Militia had already been ordered forward from Lynchburg, Roanoke and other points.

It developed that after escaping from the court house, desperately wounded, Floyd Allen was moved to a room in the one hotel in the village, and there, guarded by his son, was found by the posse. He was at once taken to jail and was forward started off for Roanoke a hack. After being taken from a hotel Allen made an unsuccessful effort to commit suicide by cutting his throat with a pen-knife.

The posse that was collected immediately after the court house affair, followed the outlaws high up the mountains, but without result here are stories to the effect that the outlaws had supplied themselves with large quantities of arms and ammunition from a hardware store, and taken refuge in Devil's Den, one of the most inaccessible places of the entire Appalachian mountains. The den is located on lands belonging to Robert Harris, a brother-in-law of Sidna Allen.

The total number of immediate victims of the court house battle was four—the judge, sheriff, prosecuting attorney and a juror. On Friday there was another death. Mrs. Ayres, a woman of 19, was in a court house. After the battle she complained of a bruise, but did not know she had been shot. She died Friday.

A special term of the court was convened on Saturday and a special grand jury was summoned and set to work. The grand jury is composed of mountaineers of the same class that the outlaws were recruited from. Judge Staples, in his charge, told the grand jurors that they would be backed in their findings by all the power of the state of Virginia; but they were men who were unafraid and in full sympathy with the law. In a short time they returned indictments charging murder against the following: Sidna Allen, Fred Allen, Wesley Edwards, Sidney Edwards and Bryan Moreland. A report was sent out to the effect that Sidna Allen had been captured in his home after a desperate battle with the posse and that his wife had been killed while engaged in loading rifles for him; but that it proved out to be a mistake. The report was corrected after it was given out by Gov. Mann and published, just where it came from except in the detectives to the governor is unknown.

Poses have been hunting in the mountains for the outlaws since Thursday, but up to last accounts without results. The mountain teams are all swollen from recent rains, the roads are in fearful condition and it is difficult to get in one place to another. Governor Mann has given it out that he is going to run all the outlaws to bay and bring them to justice at whatever cost.

Dispatches of Tuesday night from Hillsville say that posse returned to town empty handed, discouragingly believing that the outlaws had slipped into North Carolina or Tennessee. A story that the outlaws were fortified in Devil's Den is disputed and not much confidence is placed in another story that they were prepared to make a stand on Mt. Knob. Governor Mann has increased the aggregate rewards for outlaws to \$4,000, on a dead alive basis. Sidna Allen, upon whose head there is a price of \$1,000 is supposed to be hiding with wounded foot. The property of the outlaws is being attached by the heirs of Judge Massie and the other slain men, under the Virginia law which permits such a proceeding.

Later reports are to the effect that the Allen gang has changed plans in the past twelve hours and will make a get-away from the

### BETHUNE NEWS NOTES.

Social and Personal Items From our Neighboring Town.

Bethune, S. C., March 19.—Mrs. D. T. Yarbrough is spending some time in Asheville, N. C.

Mrs. J. A. Stone has gone to the Knowlton hospital in Columbia to undergo an operation.

Miss Allie Mae Best, of Hartsville, is visiting relatives here.

Mr. H. H. Holder was called to Williamston to the bedside of his mother who is very ill.

Mr. Shelby Truesdell, of Kershaw, has accepted a position as bookkeeper with the Stevens Mercantile Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. McLaurin entertained in honor of their guest Miss Allie Mae Best Thursday evening. Quite a number of young people were present and all spent a most delightful evening.

Mr. Wm. Bradley is visiting his sisters, the Misses Bradley and Mrs. D. M. Bethune.

Mr. Hilliard, of Cheraw, has accepted the position with the Micklejohn Lumber Co., formerly held by Mr. McGee.

Quite an excitement was created Wednesday afternoon when a horse driven by Dr. E. Z. Truesdell became frightened by a passing train and ran down Walton street, striking a tree and throwing Dr. Truesdell out of the buggy. He is painfully, but not seriously hurt.

Rev. J. N. Forbes, of Rockingham, N. C., has accepted a call from the Presbyterian Church and has moved into the manse. Mr. Forbes has already made a host of friends and we hope that he will accomplish much good in our midst.

Miss Maggie Yarbrough is at home from the Southern Presbyterian College at Red Springs.

Mr. Jno. McDonald, of Hartsville, spent Sunday with his father.

Mr. Bradley Bethune is at home from Clemson College.

Miss Kate Murchison spent the week end with her mother at Camden.

### St. Patrick's Day Celebrated.

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated at the Kirkwood Hotel on Sunday. All the guests were presented with the various St. Patrick souvenirs. Special dinner was served at night. The menu was printed on a handsome menu card, attached to the menu card was a picture of an American Shamrock girl. The music programmes for the Sunday night concert was printed on a card, which was decorated with the harp, sheets of music, flutes, etc., all printed in green, emblematic of St. Patrick's Day. The first selection on the music programme was a Fantasia of Irish Melodies, written by Professor Weigand of the Kirkwood Orchestra.

### For Sale.

Columbia Long Staple Cotton—\$1.50 per bushel; in five-bushel lots \$1. per bushel. Mammoth Pekin duck eggs, \$1. per 11. Banded Plymouth Rock eggs, \$1. per setting of 10. H. Savage, Camden, S. C.

Fancy Gap section were secured on Tuesday by a correspondent who is at the scene. The aggressive tactics of the detectives and posse, it is believed, have convinced the outlaws that it would be foolhardy to stand and fight against so many odds, especially in view of the injuries of Sidna Allen. It is reported the outlaws are making their way into North Carolina and will come out in Wilkes county, about the only accessible break in that wild country. On the strength of this information Sheriff Richardson of Alleghany county, with a dozen men has started to Sparta to head them off. Sparta is close to and just a little to the southwest of Fancy Gap, and adjoins Wilkes county. It is also reported that Sheriff Mundy of Surry county, with a large posse, started this morning in the same direction. An important find was the discovery of a big still in the cellar of Floyd Allen's home in which were 90 gallons of whiskey.

Stills were also found in the home of the Edwards boys. It had not been believed heretofore that the Allens or Edwards had engaged in the moonshining business and detectives are jubilant, declaring that it connects them with the murder of Rev. Easter, the Danbar preacher for the murder of whom George Peters was recently hanged.

### THE WHARTON MEETINGS.

Interest Still Continues and Will Close Sunday Night.

The series of meetings now in progress in the Methodist Church is progressing nicely. The meetings are being held under the auspices of the Men and Religion Forward Movement of Camden, and the preaching is being done entirely by Dr. H. M. Wharton, of Baltimore. Many preachers of note have been here and conducted meetings and the statement made by some "he is the best I ever heard," but we believe that our entire community is unanimous in saying Dr. Wharton is the best yet. He has a style all his own and he preaches Christ's doctrines in such a quiet, unostentatious and lovable manner his words never fail to go straight to the hearts of his hearers and makes them feel that they have been brought into the immediate presence of The Lowly Nazarine and received from His own gracious hands a blessing.

The last of the meetings will be held Sunday night and if there is any one in this community who has not heard Dr. Wharton, we cannot urge too strongly upon them the importance of making a special effort to do so.

The various pastors in Camden will preach in their own churches Sunday morning. At 3:30 Sunday afternoon Dr. Wharton will preach to men only in the Baptist Church.

### To Sell Bonds.

Proposals are invited from purchasers for ninety-five thousand dollars of non-taxable Coupon bonds to be issued by Kershaw County, bearing date May 1st, 1912, payable twenty years from date, interest at five per cent, semi-annually, by M. C. West, Supervisor of Kershaw County. The purpose of the issue is to refund the maturing 2-C's railroad aid bonds. The bids are to be opened at 12 m. Wednesday, Apr. 24th. No bid for less than par and accrued value will be accepted. It will be necessary for each bidder to file a check with the Supervisor of one thousand dollars.

The old bonds were carried at 7 per cent and the new bonds will bear 5 per cent interest, which will save about \$2,000 a year.

### Polo Team Goes to Aiken.

The Camden polo teams leave today for Aiken, where they will play several games. The Camden team will be weakened by the loss of Crawford and Beltazzi, who have returned to their homes in New York. Boykin, LeBoutellier and Edwards will have to do most of the work for the Camden team. Tainter, a member of the second team, will likely take Beltazzi's place.

The Army polo team, which has been water bound here for several days left Monday for their army post at Fort Oglethorpe. Their horses, which will be accompanied by five privates, were expressed to Fort Oglethorpe yesterday. The Cavalry players made many friends while in Camden, and it is hoped that they will be able to return here again next year. They were wined and dined by their friends almost every night during their two weeks stay in Camden, and were much impressed with the hospitality and beauty of the town.

### Death at Kershaw.

Kershaw, Mar. 17.—Kershaw is again called upon to mourn the loss of one of its best citizens in the person of George Hamrick, who was stricken with apoplexy last night and never regained consciousness, death coming at noon today.

Highly esteemed as an upright Christian gentleman, he will be greatly missed in the community. He came here from North Carolina 17 years ago in the capacity of station agent for the Southern railway and filled the position with perfect satisfaction to the people and company alike.

"George," as he was called, was a favorite with the railroad people. He was a deacon in the Baptist church and lived up to his profession. He was and has been for several years one of the wardens of Kershaw. He leaves a wife and several children, and other relatives in North Carolina and Florida.

### POST-ELECTION NOTES.

Few Pertinent Remarks From Capt. Schrock on Result of Primary.

The city primary election is over. The people, through the ballot, are supposed to have spoken. Now it becomes the duty of all, whether appointed or not, to uphold the new council in their every effort to make of Camden a better and a cleaner city.

Unfortunately, mayhap, for the common good, I was, as usual on the losing side in the contest. It is becoming matter of common remark that the men whom Captain Schrock honors with his preference are doomed to defeat. That is as it may be. It is true that many of those for whom I have voted in the past have gone down to defeat, but it doesn't half prove that I was wrong in the casting of my ballot, as many of my once defeated candidates have risen to place and power.

This kind of talk doesn't carry us anywhere. I have merely interjected it as a kind of an introductory to what I really want to say to the incoming council, and to my people. When I say "my people," I mean the entire citizenship of Camden.

In my remarks to follow, I have no apologies to make to anyone. There is not a man in a thousand who reads them who has an equal right to make them. I am a native of the city—every property interest I possess is looked up in it, and I am sleeping every night in the same room in which I was born more than a half century ago. Every fiber of my being is intertwined in the interests of Camden and its people. This being so, I claim a supreme right to coach, to advise, and it may be, to instruct.

There is no more deadly handicap to the progress of a municipality than a non-progressive Mayor and Board of Aldermen, so a slight reference to the personnel of the newly nominated Mayor and Board of our city may serve to while away a moment or so of my reader's time.

Dr. E. F. Brasington, our renominated Mayor, owns considerable property in the city and county, all self-accumulated, which is greatly to his credit. He is distinctly a man of action in the conduct of his own business affairs. Those who assisted in his renomination, as well as those who did not expect him especially, as the head of our city government, and its guiding spirit, to bend every ounce of the splendid energy he is known to possess towards the material uplift of Camden. In other words, we expect him to do his full part towards the making of Camden a city in fact, as well as in name. There are sidewalks to be paved, almost every street in the city should be clayed, or re-clayed, and in a number of instances, must be practically rebuilt. This will cost money, and it will be a severe test to the man of property in power to have him work and vote for permanent improvements of the character mentioned, when he knows that such action, if successful, will result in an increased tax levy of four to six mills for an indefinite period of years.

I have faith enough in Dr. Brasington to believe that he will stand the test.

Mr. S. M. Mathis is the renominee from Ward 2. Mathis didn't make a brilliant record in the last council as an Alderman, but that must not be held to his discredit. He was an absolutely green hand, and such usually require about 2 years of service to learn them how. We confidently expect him to be ideal in the role of councilman during the ensuing two years. We believe he has learned thoroughly that the first duty of an Alderman is owed to his ward, and that he must serve his people in his ward in preference to a call for service to the whole city.

Dr. Robin Zemp, and Mr. F. M. Wooten, both new men, are wide-awake and progressive, and will, if properly backed, leave a monument behind them of good deeds in the way of good service rendered in securing permanent improvements.

Aldermen Sidney C. Zemp and W. E. Johnson are classed as progressive in tendency. While I think of it though, I want to call Alderman Johnson's attention to the deplorable condition of upper Lyttleton st., just a the boundary stone between the city and county. The condition of that street, at that point, is a disgrace to any municipality affect-

### TRAIN ROBBERS SLAIN.

Express Messengers Nerve Prevents Train Robbery.

San Antonio, Tex., Mar. 13.—An express messenger, David A. Trousdale, balked the robbery of a Southern Pacific train near Sanderson early today, when he trapped two highwaymen who had held up the train, and killed them. The robbers boarded the train, No. 9, west-bound, a few miles east of Sanderson. The mail and express cars and the locomotive were detached from the passenger coaches. Then the engineer, under cover of the robbers' guns, was compelled to run the two or three coaches ahead of the remainder of the train. One of the robbers took the express messenger, Trousdale, back to the train and kept him under guard, while the other robber covered the crew in the cars ahead and started to rifle the safe and express boxes.

Trousdale is said to have employed the old ruse of signaling to an imaginary person back of his captor. When the robber turned Trousdale grasped a mallet and before the highwayman could shoot, dashed on his brains. Then, arming himself with the dead man's gun, Trousdale waited for the return of the other bandit. After he had rifled the express box, the second highwayman came back to the coaches. Stepping from cover, Trousdale killed him. All of the stolen property was recovered and the train proceeded. Trousdale is a young man, recently promoted to the express run. He lives in San Antonio.

### Union Meeting Bethany Baptist Church, March 30-31.

1. Song and prayer service.
2. Pastoral Visitation. What is it?
3. What are the Greatest Hindrances to the progress of the Church?
4. Why read denominational literature?
5. Our obligations to Home Missions.
6. Our obligations to Foreign Missions.

All churches are earnestly requested to send full delegations. The pastors are urged to be present.

### Pick Cotton in a Boat.

The Dorchester Eagle says a week ago a farmer about three miles from town was seen in a boat with his sons picking cotton. He did not have enough to make a full bale and on account of the long-standing water in his fields the only way to pick the cotton was by means of a boat. They were seen paddling up and down the cotton patch gathering the staple. This is what we call enterprise—but to be more enterprising, this farmer should drain his lands.—Orangeburg Sun.

A small piece of piping got into the sewerage system on Lyttleton street which caused sand and garbage to collect and stop up the pipe. The pipes had to be dug up for several hundred yards, which will cost the city several hundred dollars. There is an ordinance against throwing anything into the manholes in the streets as considerable damage will result if anything gets into the pipes. Trash will quickly collect and stop up the whole system.

### Poplar Camp No. 369 W. O. W.

Meets Monday night on or before the full moon in each month. B. E. Sparrow, C. C. J. E. Campbell, Clerk.

ing city airs. Yet, there it has stood for more years than I can recall, an eyesore, and an almost impassable barrier to vehicles and pedestrians alike during bad weather. It will cost some money to abate this particular nuisance, but that fact should not deter a proper alderman from insisting that it be abated promptly.

In closing, let me impress upon the new council that the people expect of you liberality in appropriations, always consistent with prudence. They don't want any of their money squandered. Neither will they tolerate a niggardly policy. We want permanent improvements, and we expect this council to give them to us.

Will you, gentlemen of the Council, measure up to our expectations? W. A. Schrock.

### GRAZING CROPS.

The Best Suited for the Raising of Hogs.

While hog-raising has proven to be one of the most profitable branches of farming in every section of the country, it is especially well adapted to the South. To make any branch of live stock farming profitable, there are three essentials: First, animals of good quality and breeding; Second, an abundance of suitable feed; Third, a good market for the animals and their products. It is the object of this article to discuss briefly the most economical way of producing feed, in order that this year we may reduce to the minimum the cost of pork production.

By using a portion of the farm for hog crops, it is a comparatively easy matter to provide grazing upon which, with the addition of a very small amount of grain, the hogs will grow and fatten every month in the year. The plan that we have followed at Clemson College, with very good results, is to provide a number of one and two acre lots. The size and number of the lots will depend upon the number of pigs raised. Beginning early in March we sow rape on well fertilized land at the rate of six lbs. per acre broadcast. This will furnish grazing from April 15 to July 1. These lots are then planted in cow peas and soy beans for fall grazing. In some sections, vetch and red or crimson clover, sown in the spring will furnish good grazing; but we have much better success by sowing these crops in the early fall. Peanuts planted in drills early in May at the rate of one to one and one-half bushels per acre has produced more pork per acre than any other crop tried so far. Cow peas and soy beans planted in drills in April and May, at the rate of half bushel per acre, mature about the same time as the peanuts, and can be grazed together; and, moreover, they furnish a ration that is unexcelled for fattening the hogs for market in the fall. A small patch of early corn is planted to furnish grain before the field corn has matured. Sorghum is a popular hog feed with some farmers, but our experiments indicate clearly that it is not nearly as profitable as many other crops, but that it is much better suited for cattle and horses than for hogs.

Planting cow peas in the field corn is the cheapest method we have yet devised for fattening hogs in the fall, or for carrying them until the fall sown crops are ready. For winter and early spring grazing there are no crops better than rape and red clover sown in September, at the rate of six pounds of rape and eight to ten pounds of red clover per acre. If the weather is favorable, the rape will be ready to graze in thirty to forty days, and will stand grazing all the winter. Oats and vetch, or wheat and vetch, sown in September or October, at the rate of two bushels of oats and a half bushel of vetch, or one bushel of wheat and a half bushel of vetch, per acre furnish excellent winter and spring grazing for sows and young pigs, and can be grazed until the land is wanted for peanuts, cow peas, or soy beans, the next spring.

Our bermuda lots seeded in white or burr clover furnish pasture from March to November, and are essential on every hog farm. Profitable pork production in the South is dependent upon providing suitable grazing crops to be harvested by the hogs. The old plan of buying or using high priced feeds and carrying them to the hogs will always result in failure.

If the farmers of the State who are interested in hog-raising will correspond with Clemson College, they will be given all information and assistance necessary to enable them to make this branch of farming a profitable business.

The Extension Work Bulletin on Hog Raising for the South will be sent free upon application. Archibald Smith, Professor of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Clemson College, March 14, 1912.

### SHOE REPAIRING.

Men's half poles and heels sewed, \$1.00. Ladies' half soles and heels sewed, 90c at Camden Harness & Shoe Repair, A. H. Bobbitt, Mgr. Mar. 19, 11.