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NEGRO RUNS AMUCK

Kills Two and Injures Eight at Augusta.

Augusta, August 16.—Three persons are dead and eight wounded as the result of a shooting affray here this afternoon.

The dead: Ben Tillman Hightower, Policeman W. W. Moore, Walter Smalley, negro. The wounded: Policeman William F. Britt; Policeman C. W. Hardeman; Chief of Detectives W. F. Redd; Alf Stewart; Grover C. Reid; J. H. Stanton, A. Evans, L. N. Blackstone.

Two negroes are also reported to have been wounded. An unidentified white woman is reported to have been shot as she passed in an automobile. The known wounded are those who sought hospital treatment.

The trouble started when Smalley, chauffeur for Dr. W. W. Battey, one of Augusta's leading physicians, shot Hightower, manager of a local wagon works. Hightower at the time was with Dr. Battey who, following the homicide called the police. After shooting Hightower, witnesses stated, the negro sat on the curb and fired at every white person who passed. When police arrived Smalley fired into their automobiles, wounding Officers Britt and Hardeman. He then fled to Perry's Bottom, a negro settlement in the neighborhood, and after being wounded, rebounded his gun and shot Policeman Moore, killing him instantly. A few seconds later the negro was practically riddled with bullets.

Reports of the affray spread rapidly and before Smalley was killed many heavily armed white men had gathered. Several negroes in the neighborhood were threatened with violence and fled only to be captured. Cries of "lynch 'em" were echoed by the crowd but police reserves reached the scene in time to prevent any general trouble. City police and county officers quickly dispersed the crowds in the vicinity of the affray, but for several hours talk of revenge was rife. Several times demonstrations were made against negroes, but authorities intervened in time to prevent serious trouble.

The entire police force is on duty and is prepared to cope with any emergency.

Five negroes are being held by the police for investigation.

Was Knave Here.

Jesse Gappin, the white man held in Savannah jail, along with C. O. Fox charged with the brutal murder of William C. Brazell, the taxi driver, is native of Camden according to the prolate records of the here. He was married in this city on March 17, 1917, to Lizzie Cobb, and both resided at one of the mill villages. At the time of his marriage the mother of the girl had Gappin arrested and confined in jail, averring that her daughter was under age and that Gappin had stolen her away from her home. The mother later became reconciled to the marriage and the Magistrate who issued the warrant took the matter up with the officers of the law. Gappin from jail upon promise that he would marry the girl. So far as is known here he is the only person reported against the Gappin and his wife who resided in Columbia.

Camden Man An Inventor.

Some time ago a newspaper has to go back to find the news for the first time in the Rock Hill Herald that the caption "Camden Man Invents Light Car Door." The story says that in general the doors of cars are clumsy and difficult to operate, especially when they are closed, and that the inventor had gotten the idea of a door that would open and close by means of a lever at the end of the door, and that by constructing the door in such a way that it would drop out bodily, swinging downward and hinges to furnish inclined ramps for unloading the goods from the car.

This is the novel notion of Lynn W. Manning, of Bishopville, S. C., who suggests that the mechanical arrangement required would be nothing but a pair of pulleys and a couple of ropes. The man by turning a crank could lower the car end of the door to its closed position. A spring would be attached to a pinion on the door in any desired position of adjustment. Thus the door could be raised at horizontal if its use as a temporary platform were desired.

Old Man Takes Young Bride

Mr. John W. Mann, of Bishopville, S. C., and Miss Louisa Hyatt, of Luckenbach, were married in Camden Saturday afternoon, August 13th. The groom gave his age at 65 and the young bride stated her age was 18.

MAN AND WOMAN HELD

Charged With Murder of John Belton Kennedy

Los Angeles, Aug. 11.—Mrs. Madalynne Obenchain of Los Angeles and Arthur C. Burch of Evanston, Ill., former students at Northwestern university, were indicted late today for the murder of John Belton Kennedy, Mrs. Obenchain, who was with Kennedy last Friday night when he received the shotgun charge that tore away the back of his head, has been held as a material witness. Burch was arrested at La Vegas, Nev., Sunday while returning home from Los Angeles. He had come here in response to a request by Mrs. Obenchain.

The indictments were returned before Judge Sidney Reeves of the supreme court, who had been requested by the grand jury to remain at the hall of records to receive a report after the usual court hours. Judge Reeves remanded the prisoners to the county jail to be arraigned Monday.

While the grand jury was hearing evidence and voting the indictments, Ralph Obenchain, former husband of Mrs. Obenchain who gave her up so that she might marry Kennedy, sent word that he was rushing to her assistance. Late today she had telegraphed that he come to her side. He and Burch both courted Madalynne while all three attended Northwestern university.

Burch, the son of the Rev. W. A. Burch, a professor at Northwestern, also is divorced, his wife, who is a daughter of Bishop W. A. Quayle of St. Louis having sued for divorce in Kansas a year ago.

Kershaw County Club Boy On Team

Province Branham, of Lugoff, was selected as one on a team of four who will represent the Boys Clubs of South Carolina at the Southeastern Fair in Atlanta this fall where the team will enter a judging contest in competition with teams from the other states of the Union, the ultimate goal of which is a trip to England for the final winners.

Four boys from Kershaw county attended the Short course at Clemson in July from which place the team was chosen. All attending the Short Course report a splendid time in addition to the fact that it was of great value to them from an educational standpoint.

Fish Dead in River.

Spartanburg Fishermen returning from a trip to Broad River between Union and Chester counties, reported thousands of dead fish floating on the surface of that stream. It is believed that waste from some industrial plant on the river or one of its tributaries has caused the fish to die. The matter has been reported to the state game warden, who is making an investigation.

Challenge By Richards Boys.

Liberty Hill, August 15. The Richards baseball team of Liberty Hill, Kershaw County, wishes to challenge any amateur team in South Carolina for a game or a series of games, all of which to be played on the road.

This team is made up of nine Richards' boys all of whom are either first cousins or brothers. Every man on the Richards club has had baseball experience at college and in the University of South Carolina, Clemson and Davidson.

The names of the nine players are given below: Gardner Richards, John Richards, J. P. Richards, Prichard Richards, James Richards, Gibbs Richards, Norman Richards, Abe Richards and McDowell Richards.

Managers of teams wishing games should call John G. Richards, of Liberty Hill.

Death of Miss Florence Baker.

The many friends of Miss Florence Baker, will be shocked and grieved to learn of her death, which occurred at the home of her brother, Mr. J. F. Baker, at Rembert, S. C., Monday morning August 15. She had been in failing health for some time, but the end came very unexpectedly. She was a devout christian lady of sterling character, a consistent member of the First Baptist church at Camden. She leaves surviving her one brother and a large family connection.

Another Trip To Myrtle Beach.

Messrs. Oakman Hay, S. H. Mickle, Henry Beard and T. B. Wilson returned Friday night from a stay of one week spent at Myrtle Beach on a fishing and camping trip. The trip was made in Mr. Hay's camping car and makes the third trip he has made to this resort this summer. They report a large catch of fish and a pleasant time.

TO AID DISABLED SOLDIERS

Agencies To Be In This State In Interest of Soldiers.

Atlanta, Ga., August 15.—Government agencies, the Red Cross, and the American Legion will begin work in South Carolina on August 15 in their Clean Up Campaign to cut the red tape that has prevented thousands of disabled veterans from receiving the aid that the government is glad to give, and has regarded the adjustment of hundreds of claims of others who were in the service during the World War.

The Clean Up Squad will be composed of experts, who have the one purpose in view of getting in touch with the veterans and starting the machinery to get for them a quick and satisfactory adjustment of their affairs.

Greenville has been selected as the starting point of the Clean Up Squad. It will remain there until August 20, during which time it will get in touch with every veteran in Greenville and Pickens county.

From Greenville, the Squad will move on to and successively serve the sections of which Anderson, Greenwood, Aiken, Barnwell, Beaufort, Charleston, Orangeburg, Columbia, Sumter, Georgetown, Darlington, Marion, Conway, Rock Hill, Laurens, and Spartanburg are the centers. At each of these centers from one to six counties will be served and in this way the entire state will be covered the Squad remaining in South Carolina until November 1.

In the next few weeks similar work will be undertaken in every state in the southeastern section.

The plan of campaign is simple. It contemplates giving each veteran the opportunity to have his difficulties of compensation and vocational training out right at home, instead of through lengthy long distance correspondence. At the same time the Squad will give every veteran a chance to find out whether he has a claim, and if he has, to file it for him so that he will get immediate results.

Obviously the biggest problem in the campaign is getting in touch with the veterans, particularly those who live in outlying communities. Many are illiterate. More of them never see a newspaper. To overcome this difficulty, the government, the Red Cross, and the Legion have issued a joint appeal to the press of South Carolina and to every patriotic organization in the state to lend aid in seeing that word of the coming of the Squad reaches the ex-service men and in explaining to them just what the coming of the Squad means to them personally.

Every arrangement has been made to relieve veterans who report to the Squad from every inconvenience, delay, and expense. As soon as a disabled soldier arrives at headquarters he will be furnished with transportation back home and meals and lodging as long as his business lasts. It is particularly important that each ex-service man bring his discharge with him to headquarters.

Mr. McNeely Arrested.

T. W. McNeely, the white man upon whose place an illicit whiskey making outfit was found last week by Constable Stokes and police officers from Camden, was arrested in Camden Saturday and carried before Magistrate Nicholson where he was required to furnish bond in the sum of \$400. He furnished bond and was released.

In a statement he had prepared for the newspapers he stoutly denied his guilt and knowledge of the still. What evidence the officers have against the man has not been divulged. McNeely resides in the Cassatt section and the still was found on a branch on his land.

Found Dead By The Roadside.

Gas G. Hale, an itinerant well digger, was found dead along the public roadside early Tuesday morning a short distance beyond Blaney near the Richland county line. The coroner and Deputy Henry McLeod went over to view the body, but Dr. Grigsby had examined the man and gave it as his opinion that he died of heart failure and no inquest was held. There were no bruises on the body and no signs of a struggle, the man being found face downward where he had fallen. Hale formerly resided in Camden and later in the Boone Town section of the county, but of late had been engaged in digging wells in West Wateree. It is supposed that he was making his way to Columbia afoot when stricken by death.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Lindsay are visiting in Winnsboro.

ASSOCIATION FORMED

Public Health Nursing For Kershaw County.

A public health nursing Association for Kershaw County was formed at an enthusiastic meeting held at the Court House on Saturday afternoon, August 6th. The following officers were elected: President, Laurens T. Mills; Vice president, Mrs. Margaret C. Miller; secretary, John W. Wilson; treasurer, T. K. Trotter. The Board of directors consists of the above named officers with Mrs. E. C. von Tresckow, Mrs. H. G. Garrison, Jr., Miss M. A. Clyburn, Dr. S. C. Zemp, and Mr. M. Johnson. The finance committee, chosen partly with a view of getting in close touch with all sections of the county is made up with Miss M. A. Clyburn, chairman, and Messrs. G. G. Alexander, C. N. Humphries, J. V. Young and N. P. Gettys, as members.

The Nursing Committee, into whose hands is given the task of helping the nurse in seeing after the sick, and furnishing supplies when needed, is Mrs. H. G. Garrison, Jr., chairman and Mrs. W. J. Dunn, Miss Mary G. Fleming, Miss Robbins, Mrs. Edwin Muller, Mrs. A. A. Reasonover, Mrs. W. D. Barrett, Mrs. F. D. Campbell, Sr., Mrs. C. H. Yates, Mrs. S. C. Zemp, Mrs. Alice Mayre, Mrs. Lucy Kennedy, Mr. W. B. Porter, Mr. Allen B. Murcison and Mr. C. W. Evans. A local chairman was appointed for each township in the county who will be asked to form a committee, by appointing at least one in each School District in the township, to constitute with the Chairman a local body to look into the needs of each locality, and to report cases needing attention such as this Association may furnish; Mrs. Margaret C. Miller was named as Chairman of the Board of Directors, and was directed to receive the reports of the nurse, and direct her activities. A very great deal of good has been accomplished by the Red Cross Nurse in Camden and the immediate vicinity since the work was started by them some two years ago. Now it is the purpose to extend this help as far as possible to the county. There is great opportunity for usefulness, and great need for some agency that will help in the care of the health of the County, in the vaccination of school children, in the instruction in the direction of tuberculosis cases, and in bedside nursing where practicable. Every person in the county should be willing to take part and help this good work when called upon.

Kennedy Elected Post Commander

At a special meeting of the James Leroy Bell Post American Legion on last Friday, R. M. Kennedy, Jr., was elected Post Commander to succeed Major E. C. von Tresckow whose resignation was tendered upon his departure for South America where he enters the consular service.

Election of five delegates to represent the local post at the Department convention to be held at Newberry on September 7-8, at this same meeting resulted in the selection of R. M. Kennedy, Jr., J. W. Sanders, H. F. Cobb, C. R. Villepigne, G. G. Alexander, and B. A. Hornsby.

Life Saving Instruction.

Mrs. E. C. von Tresckow, Chairman of the Camden Chapter of the Red Cross has just received a letter from Mr. David Yates, Director of First Aid and Life Saving for the Southern Division of the American Red Cross stating that he would be in Camden on August 26th, 27th, and 28th for the purpose of giving instructions in Life Saving.

The Red Cross Chapter has been anxious for some time to have this instruction course given here, and hopes that quite a number will enlist at once for this instruction. Those interested will kindly report to Mr. Cobb at the Wateree Mills, Mrs. S. C. Zemp or T. K. Trotter. It is desired that a list be ready to hand Mr. Yates upon his arrival.

Buyer In Northern Markets.

Mr. Henry Elchaj, of the Wolfe-Elchaj firm, is away in the northern and eastern markets buying a fall stock of goods for his firm. While he is away the firm is advertising a great reduction in the price of their stock and they have an advertisement in this week's Chronicle calling attention to their sale.

Married.

Mr. Robert F. Greer and Miss Carrie Ella Spradley, both of Camden, were married in Camden Monday evening, August 15th. Judge of Probate W. L. McDowell officiating.

PRESIDENT'S FATHER MARRIED

Smiling Old Gentleman Gets Bride of Fifty-Two.

Monroe, Mich., Aug. 11.—In the parlor of the vine-covered little First Presbyterian Church here today, a white-haired, smiling old gentleman, dressed in a slightly old-fashioned Prince Albert, immaculate "boiled" shirt and a prim white tie, and a comely, middle-aged woman, smiling under her crown of brown hair and black hat, were quietly married.

The old gentleman was Dr. George T. Harding, 76, father of President Harding, a civil war veteran, and for many years the doctor to the countryside around Marion, Ohio. His bride is Miss Alice Severns, 52, for many years her new husband's assistant of a local nurse.

They had come to Monroe without any announcement, obtained their license—and paid "extra" for it to have its issuance suppressed—and hurried in an automobile to the home of Rev. Frank T. Knowles, accompanied by another couple who acted as witnesses.

When they arrived, the Rev. Mr. Knowles was in his study. He had been notified a few minutes before from the county clerk's office that "some folks would be over to be married shortly." Dr. Harding leading his intended bride solicitously by the arm, walked up the path, trying hard to suppress the smile that wreathed his face every minute he was in Monroe.

"Can you do us a favor, rector?" he asked Rev. Mr. Knowles.

"This is a pleasure, Dr. Harding," replied the minister. "You are the father of the President aren't you?"

Dr. Harding grinned broadly and whispered to his bride-to-be in a few minutes. He didn't directly answer the question.

Motioning them to a place beside a small window, the Rev. Mr. Knowles read the service. Dr. Harding boyishly blessed his bride.

"It was a real one!" said Knowles afterward.

The President's father then called the minister aside and slipped an envelope into his hands. The minister looked at it and grinned himself.

The two men then talked for a moment about the famous preachers and doctors who belonged to the Presbyterian Church, and then Dr. Harding offered his bride his arm and started to walk back to their car. But the excited crowd of townspeople, to whom the news of the marriage had quickly spread, was growing bigger every minute and they quickened their steps and disappeared toward Toledo in a cloud of dust, with a thunder of cheers and good wishes trailing behind them.

The couple with the doctor and his bride, old friends from Marion, declined to give their names.

"It was a surprise to me," said the minister. "I didn't know Dr. Harding. He certainly didn't look 76 years. He seemed so happy, he lost twenty years of his age. I must say the new Mrs. Harding is a fine looking little woman."

The bride was dressed in a black crepe de chine dress of simple lines and a black hat. She has brown hair and brown eyes and is, in the opinion of Monroe, "mighty fine looking."

Change In Schedule.

Important change in Southern passenger trains, effective Sunday, August 14th, trains will leave Camden as follows:

No. 113 Columbia to Charlotte.	Leave Camden at 8:29 a. m.
No. 118 York to Columbia.	Leave Camden at 10:56 a. m.
No. 114 Charlotte to Columbia.	Leave Camden at 2:23 p. m.
No. 117 Columbia to York.	Leave Camden at 3:21 p. m.
Train No. 113 is through train to Charlotte. Train No. 118 makes connection with Carolina Special leaving Columbia 1:10 p. m. for Spartanburg, Hendersonville, Asheville and all points west. Also makes connections with train for Greenwood, Belton and Greenville. Train No. 114 makes connection at Kingville with Carolina Special for Orangeburg, Branchville, Summerville, and Charleston. Makes connection at Columbia with No. 7 through train for Augusta and Atlanta, Ga. Train No. 117 makes connection at Rock Hill with train No. 32 through train for Charlotte, Greensboro, Danville, Lynchburg, Washington and New York.	

C. T. Greene Ticket Agent, Camden, S. C.

Discourage nest-robbing, boys, among your companions, and encourage in its place an intelligent interest in the living birds.

MAJOR MOSE HILL MOBLEY

Treasurer of Richland County Dies of Heart Disease.

Columbia, Aug. 11.—After an illness of several years from heart disease, which became acute two weeks ago, Major Mose Hill Mobley, treasurer of Richland County for the past two years, died at a local hospital here early this morning. The funeral services will be held at the Mobley home tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock and the body will be interred at Mount Olivet Veterans Church, Fairfield County, seven miles from the town of Winnsboro.

The deceased was born in Fairfield County in 1860, a member of the famous Mobley family of that section, which descended from Sir Edward Mobley, a baron of England. He received his academic education at Mount Zion School at Winnsboro and was graduated in accountancy from a widely known business college. He was an expert accountant. At one time he was auditor for the old State dispensary system. He came to Columbia from Fairfield county in 1906 and has resided here since.

He was twice married. His first wife was Miss Minnie McCrory, and his second wife, who survives him, was Miss Emma A. McCrory. By the first union he is survived by three sons, William M. Mobley, assistant treasurer of Richland county; James M. Mobley, of Fairfield county; Major M. R. Mobley, a physician of Florence, and one daughter, Mrs. W. B. Crompton, and by the second union he is survived by two daughters Mrs. Jesse T. Reese, of Columbia, and Mrs. Frank Cranford, of Inverness, Fla. Major Mobley was a prominent Mason.

Camden Failed To Score.

Camden failed to score in an exhibition game here Thursday afternoon played with the Columbia team of the South Atlantic League, the Comers winning 6 to 0. Bonifay for Columbia was hit at will but the fielding of Columbia was perfect, not an error being credited in the whole game. Parker at third for Camden made a sensational catch of a line drive. Goslin for Columbia got a three base hit, a long drive to center, Benson and Rhame worked for Camden while Bonifay and Weismeyer was the battery for Columbia.

Former Judge M. L. Smith, an old-time ball player and an enthusiastic fan, umpired in his usual efficient manner and there were no kicks on his decisions. Score:

Columbia	130 011 000—6
Camden	000 000 000—0

Lumberton Takes First Game.

Lumberton, August 15.—Lumberton took the opening game of the series with the first Camden club, said to be amateur champions of South Carolina 3 to 1. Hines held the visitors to three hits and fanned 10. A steady drizzle slowed up the fielding of both clubs.

Camden	010 000 000—1 3 2
Lumberton	012 000 000—3 6 3

Peters, Lowe and Rhame; Hines and McMillan.

Camden Defeats Lumberton.

Lumberton, August 16.—Camden evened the series with Lumberton by winning today, 4 to 0. The visitors fielded in faultless style while the locals' misuses proved costly.

Camden	010 021 000—4 5 0
Lumberton	000 000 000—0 3 1

Benson and Rhame; Rogers and McMillan.

Claims "Dark Horse" Used

Hartsville, Aug. 13.—Camden defeated Hartsville here this afternoon before a large crowd, 6 to 0. Lewis was in the box for the visitors and it is alleged, that he was none other than "Lefty" Bonifay, of the Columbia club. He pitched splendid ball for Camden, allowing Hartsville but four hits. Hartsville used the same team that she has used for the past thirty-one games. Stark featured for Camden with a single, a triple and double.

Camden	6 15 2
Hartsville	0 4 1

Lewis and Rhame; Gibson, Walters and Banks.

Camden Loses In Ninth.

Hartsville defeated Camden here Friday afternoon by a score of 5 to 3. Camden had the game won until the ninth when Hartsville landed on Peters who was relieved by Sherrill, and four runs were put across. Score:

Hartsville	000 001 004—5
Camden	200 010 000—3

Atkinson and Banks; Peters, Sherrill and Rhame. Umpires Yates and Villepigne.