STUDENTS ADMIT KILLING

Sons of Millionaires Kidnap and Mur der Son of Millionaire.

Chicago, May 31 .- Youthful sons of two Chicago millionaires today confessed the kidnaping and slaying ten days ago of Robert Franks, thirteen-year-old son of Jacob Franks, another millionaire, according to Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney.

The boys who confessed are Nathan Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb, both university students and both residing within a few blocks of the Franks home in a fashionable South Side residential district.

They kidnaped the boy as he walked home from school, strangled him in their automobile, hid the body and demanded a \$10,000 ransom from the parents, according to Mr. Crowe.

A pair of spectacles led to their arrest and the chance remark of a chauffeur resulted in their breakdown and confessing when the authorities, after hours of questioning were virtually convinced the youths had established alibis and were considering releasing them.

Their motive was a puzzle, state's Attorney Crowe declared, and said that they wanted excitement and the \$10,000 ransom, while friends asserted they could not need the money and doubted the truth of the confession. Both the youths have records as brilliant students, one being the youngest ever graduated from the literary college of a leading mid-Western university here.

Leopold is the son of Nathan Leopold, Sr., wealthy paper box manufacturer, and Loeb is the son of Albert Loeb, vice president of Sears, Roebuck & Co., a Chicago mail order upon the National Realtors' Convenhouse. At one time, according to Mr. tion. The train was running as the Crowe, the boys said they were considering kidnaping a relative of Julius Rosenwald, multi-millionaire, head of the firm.

The boys' confession, the state's attorney believed, clears up on of the strangest crimes in Chicago's history. many stunts along the route. Robert Franks disappeared on the afternoon of May 21, as he was going from a private school to his home, a few blocks distance. That night a man posing as "George Johnson" telephoned the boy's mother that her son was held for ransom and the next day the father received a letter demanding \$10,000 for the boy's release and instructing him that further orders would follow.

Luring him then into a rented automobile they said, according to . Mr. Crowe, that they struck him over the head with a chisel when he resisted, and then strangled him. The chisel, thrown from the automobile, was found later and is a part of the evidence against them.

All that afternoon they rode around the city with the body huddled in the tonneau of the car and covered by a robe. That night, they said, according to Mr. Crowe, they disrobed the body, applied acid to the face in an effort to make identification impossible and drove to the swamp where they concealed the body in the culvert. They then burned the clothing at Loeb's home, according to their confession, disposed of the shoes and belt on a prairie and rode about the city for a time, finally returning home where Loeb notified the Franks family that Robert was held for ransom while Leopold 'prepared the ransom letter. They then threw the typewriter on which the ransom letter was prepared in a lagoon and when their plans to collect the ransom miscarried because Franks did not understand their instructions, Loeb pretended to assist the police in finding the drug store from which he made

one of the calls to Franks. The only clue on which the author ities had to work was a pair of spectacles with tortoise shell rims and of peculiar make. Identification of the owner of the glasses in a city of three millions assumed the proportions of looking for a needle in a haystack, but the police, realizing that their only hope of solving the mystery lay in finding the owner of the glasses, set to work canvassing every optician, optical supply and manufacturing house in Chicago eventually extend-

ing their search to other cities. After a week's hunt a Brooklyn firm was found which said it made the spectacles and its Chicago agencies were then canvassed. Thousands of records were carefully gone over until one was found which tallied exactly with that of the glasses in

question. an Wednesday night and the Cassett; Miss Willeene Baker, Be vail led directly to the Leopold home thune.

a few blocks away from that of the Franks. Leopold and Loeb, his bosom friend, were arrested at once. Then came the surprise, Leopold readily admitted ownership of the spectacles, explaining that he is an ornithologist and in his study of birds had often visited the swamp where the body was found and probably lost his glasses on one of the trips. The boys told a straightforward story of their activities on the day Robert Franks disappeared, declaring they spent the day riding about in Leopold's car and after a day and most of a night of questioning, their story remained unshaken, in any detail. The authori-

their statements were correct. Meanwhile, in an outer room of the state's attorney's office a man had been waiting patiently for four hours

ties were about ready to admit that

boys' statement. Finally, the chauffeur was asked a car was in the garage throughout home in Westminster. the day of May 21. Questioners the youths admitted the slaying.

Florida Realtors Pass Here. A special Pullman train of thirteen

cars loaded with Florida real estate men enroute to Washington, D. C., passed through Camden early Monday morning, the Seaboard having been selected as the route to carry the party. They were in attendance second section of the regular Seaboard passenger No. 4, and on account of the early hour reaching here most of the party was asleep. They are said to be a wide-awake bunch, however, and are said to be pulling

Rural Carriers Met at Lancaster.

The Lancaster and Kershaw Rural Letter Carriers' Association met in the court house at Lancaster, Friday, May 30th. The meeting was adjudged by some of the older members as being the best that they had ever

The old officers were re-elected as follows: Wm. H. Stokes, president; D. R. Fletcher, vice president; E. W. Caskey, secretary. The following delegates were elected to the state convention at Anderson which convenes August 12th and lasts through August 13th: C. J. Sanders, E. W. Caskey, E. R. Jenkins; alternates, B. C. Horton, J. W. Thompson and Henry Pardieu.

Postmaster Horton was present and made a brief but impressive ad-

The association was invited to meet with one of the members next year-the generous member being Mr E. R. Jenkins. This invitation was unanimously accepted.

The meeting then adjourned and was invited to partake of a specially prepared dinner which was enjoyed by all .- Reported for The Chronicle.

Services at Grace Church.

There will be services at Grace Episcopal church Sunday, June 8th, at 11 o'clock, conducted by Mr. Waller Bailey, of Columbia. The public is cordially invited to attend.

County Women Off To Winthrop.

Six county women and girls left Thursday to attend the State Short Court at Winthrop College. This training is an opportunity and privilege for any woman or girl and these winners are fortunate indeed. We are proud of Kershaw and our report this year is excellent and will be given at the Short Course by Mrs. B. R. Truesdale, president of the local County Council.

Mrs. H. P. Oglesby has won a very Campaign. She takes first place in the Pee Dee District and at Winthrop tries for the state championship.

The following will be guests at the State Short Course: Mrs. H. P. Oglesby, Lugoff; Mrs. L. O. Funderburk, Camden; Mrs. R. K. Tompkins, Kershaw; Mrs. B. R. Truesdale, Camden; Mrs. Watts, Bethune; Mrs. Lee West, Camden; Miss Ina Fletcher, Kershaw; Miss Eula Branham, Lugoff; Miss Lillian James, Charlotte Thompson Club; Miss Frances Saver-Such a record was found by an ance, Bethune; Miss Jannie Mosier,

BETHUNE NEWS NOTES.

Our Correspondent.

Bethune, S. C., June 4.-An unique feature of commencement and one never observed here before was the commencement exercises held last graduating from the grammar class. sehool. The address was made by Mr. C. W. Birchmore.

church of Clover, accompanied by Mrs. Manly, attended the commencement exercises of the Bethune High to the winners. School. They returned home Thurs-Myrtle, who taught in the primary department here.

Mrs. Hook, of Irmo, arrived Wedto have some notice taken of him. He nesday afternoon to be with her was the Leopold family chauffeur and daughter, Miss Elise, who underwent had been called in along with a dozen a tonsil removal operation the folmore to substantiate details of the lowing day. They returned home Sunday.

Miss Ruth Gaines, sixth grade few perfunctory questions. He teacher, who has been quite sick, has chanced to remark that the Leopold recovered sufficiently to return to her.

Hamel Thomas entertained a numrushed to the two boys with their in- ber of boys and girls Friday evening formation and a few minutes later, complimentary to his fifteenth birthas dawn streaked through the win- day. Cream and cake were served dows of the state's attorney's office, by Mrs. L. D. Robertson, mother of the young host.

Mrs. Bright Williamson of Darlington is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. M. Forbis. Mrs. Williamson's husband is in Europe on business.

Misses Mary McKinnon, Stella Bethune, Mrs. A. K. McLaurin, Messrs. N. A. Bethune, G. B. King, B. D. Mc-Coy and Robert Douglas left Monday to attend the Confederate Reunion.

Mrs. H. C. Wall, of Andrews, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Ward.

Messrs. Tom Bethune and Ralph McCaskill were visitors in Laurens Sunday.

Mrs. Gaines and son of Westminster were guests of the former's daughter, Miss Ruth Gaines, Sunday. Miss Kathleen McCaskill, who has Miss Kathleen McCaskill, who has McCaskill, Joseph Lang, Reuben been teaching in the Marion high Pitts. Section B: Katherine Kennedy, school, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. K. T. Estridge spent last week in Sumter with her daughter, Mrs. L. K. Yarbrough.

Miss Lois Watts, a student of summer vacation.

Miss Charlotte Watts, who has been teaching in North Carolina, has Cureton, Marvin Huckabee, Helen returned to the home of her mother, Baker; Mrs. Maud Watts.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Barret of Monroe, N. C., were guests of the B: Elmer Watts, Louise Trapp. latter's sister, Mrs. Eva Morgan, Sunday.

Mrs. Loring Davis attended commencement exercises at Winthrop College.

Mrs. A. B. McLaurin left Sunday to be present at the graduation at Wofford College of her nephew, Arthur Graham.

Mr. Dalton McLeod met with the misfortune Monday afternoon of having his ankle badly crushed between his truck and an oil barrel. No bones Carolyn Heyman. were broken however.

A young couple passing through from Jefferson enroute to Columbia stopped over at the Presbyterian Medal, to be worn one year, Ruth manse Sunday morning and were Hatfield. married by Rev. J. M. Forbis. The contracting parties were Miss Agnes closed, and Mr. Hoyt Nicholson of Jefferson.

Fire In The Country.

Fire of unknown origin early Tuesday morning of last week destroyed the old Brevard homestead, located a few miles southeast of Lugoff. The property was owned and occupied by Mr. Edward M. Boykin and three sons. No one was at home at the time except Mr. Alfred Boykin and he barely had time to escape, and nothing whatever was saved from the lish, to be worn one year, won by building. It was said to be one of high honor in the Meal Planning the oldest homesteads in the county and much of the old family furniture and relics of the Boykin family for generations past was destroyed. The house and contents were a complete loss as the owners carried no in-

> Local Ball Teams Meet Today. There will be a baseball game this, Friday, afternoon at 5:30 o'clock be the American Legion and the Camden Chamber of Commerce. This will be the biggest event of Camden's sporting season with the odds, so it is reported, slightly in favor of the Chamber of Commerce. The proceeds will be divided between the two or

CAMDEN SCHOOLS CLOSE

Happenings of Interest As Told By Institutions Close With Another Year of Successful Work.

The Camden Schools closed another year of successful work with the presentation of diplomas or certifi- week, having thirty-five young ladies cates to the members of the Class and gentlemen in the graduating

The graduating exercises took place Friday evening, with Hon, J. H. Rev. Mr. Manly of the Methodist Hope, state superintendent of education, delivering the annual address. Mr. B. B. Clarke presented the medals

Miss Louise Hirsch was the class day with their daughter, Miss leader with Mr. Christopher Vaughan a close second.

The following is the superintendent's annual report:

Yearly Honor Roll.

This is the highest honor roll, and means that the pupils named have an average of 90 or above on scholarship and attendance. In addition they were on the honor roll for nine consecutive months. First Grade—J. B. Gaskin.

Second Grade-John Flowers, Mary ee Blakeney, Esther Furcron.

Third Grade-Margaret Watts. Fourth Grade-Ruby Burns, Grayon Shaw.

Fifth Grade—Ben.C. Lingle. Sixth Grade—Betty Cureton, Sarah Joseley, Inez Gardner, Arthur Davis. Seventh Grade-Elmer Watts, Lou-

e Trapp, Mary Boykin, Evelyn Bruce. Eighth Grade—Clare Bruce, Caro-lyn Heyman, Moultrie Burns. Ninth Grade-Sarah DePass, Dolly

Singleton, Carolyn Wooten, Harriet Whitaker, Eddie Stewart, Jennie Smith, Susie Watkins. Tenth Grade-Cordelia Johnson, Alma Holland.

Eleventh Grade—Bertha Jones, Louise Hirsch, Albertus Clarke, Ar-net Ledford, Christopher Vaughan, Cecil Wittkowsky, Lilla Mills. Class Leaders.

First Grade- Section A: Daniel Carrison, Peggy Baldwin, Charlot's DuBose, Peggy Pitts, Estelle Myer-Section B: Sarah Gardner, Dorothy Van Landingham.

Second Grade-Section A: Fletcher Moore, William Thompson, Kate Shannon. Section B: Golda Shirley. Mary Lee Blakeney, Esther Furcron. Third Grade—Section A: Samuel

Elizabeth Gardner. Fourth Grade-Section A: Grace

Rubinson, Grayson Shaw. Section B:

Fifth Grade-Section A: Emily Winthrop College, is at home for the Pitts, Elizabeth Zemp. Section B: Allen Hardy, Ethel Snyder. Section C: J. C. Johnson, Eloise Shirley.

Sixth Grade-Section A: Betty Section B: Duncan Rochelle Sheorn, Catherine Boykin. Seventh Grade Section A: Mary Boykin, Virginia DeLoache. Section Eighth Grade-Carolyn Heyman,

Ninth Grade—Carolyn Wooten. Tenth Grade—Cordelia Johnson. Eleventh Grade-Bertha Jones. Eleventh Grade, Four Yearsouise Hirsch, 95.2; Christopher

Vaughn, 95.1. Medals.

Sixth Grade Scholarship, 1st Secion, Betty Cureton. Sixth Grade Scholarship, 2nd Sec-

tion, Duncan Lang. Eighth Grade Scholarship, given by Mrs. L. Libman, to be worn one year

Ninth Grade Scholarship, given by Judge W. C. Bennett, to be worn one year, Carolyn Wooten.

Tenth Grade English, DeLoach

Scholarship Medal open to Grammar and High School students to be worn for one year. Four pupils tied Kirkpatrick of Sharon, teacher in the for this honor with the same average Jefferson school which has just of 98, these being Bortha Jones, 11th grade; Samuel McCaskill, 3rd grade; Catherine Kennedy, grade; Duncan Lang, 6th grade. 3rd

High School Latin Medal, given by F. H. Harding for the highest average in Latin, to be worn one year, won by Carolyn Heyman. Speaker's Medal for high school

Johnson Medal, won by Morris Mogu-Speaker's Medal for high school girls, permanent ownership, school

boys, permanent ownership, J. J.

medal, won by Elizabeth Clarke. Annie Johnson Boykin Medal for highest average in high school Eng-Carolyn Wooten.

Civic League Essay Medal, permanent ownership, won by Porter. Chamber of Commerce

Medal, permanent ownership, won by Billy Lindsay. Appointments to Honorary Schol arships—to Limestone College: Sallie Hinson, Louise Rabon; to Washington and Lee, Albertus Clarke. These scholarships are offered by the col-

Scholarship Honor Roll. Those who made an average of or above on their studies, but w did not average 90 on attendance department are as follows:

son, Ernest Wooten Dorus Houser, J. A. Rast, Sarah Gardner, Dorothy Van Landingham, Annie Kelley, J. B. Gaskin, Jerome Hoffer Mary Moore, Mary Richey Loma Rose, Dinnie Smith, Eleanor Watts.

Second Grade-James Fletcher Moore, Cecil McCaskill, William Thompson, Elizabeth Haynes-worth, Mary E. Kirkland, Grace worth, Mary E. Kirkland, Grace Moseley, Mary E. McCaskill, Kate Shannon, Pollye West Marion Bailey, William Gardner, Hamilton Osborne, Ziegler, Mary Lee Blakeney, John Flowers, Esther Furcron, Mary Zeig-

Third Grade-Katherine Kennedy, Elizabeth Gardner, Margaret Barnes, Betty Carrison, Sarah Kirkland, Meta Mogulescu, Emily Zemp, Samuel Me-Caskill, Joseph Lang, Reuben Pitts, Benton Bruce, Jack Boyd, Homer Baldwin, Mary J. Mackey, Lila Ross, Margaret Watts, Olivia Buddin, Nancy Brown, Kathryn Little,

Fourth Grade-Grayson Shaw, West, Doris Evans, Mary Love, Mar-guerite McCaskill, Marie Haile.

Fifth Grade-Allen Hardy, Emily Lenora Pitts, Elizabeth Zemp, McCaskill, Carolyn McKain, John H. Shirley.

Sixth Grade-Betty Cureton, Marvin Huckabee, Helen Baker, Inez Gardner, Nannie R. Gardner, Sarah Mills, Sarah Moseley, Arthur Davis, erine Boykin, Rochelle Sheorn, Mc-Lean King, Benton Burns, Louise Drawdy, Nelle Goodale, Nancy Pearce Caroline Richardson, Ellen Stewart, Althea Sanders.

Seventh Grade—Mary Boykin, Virginia DeLoach, Molly Blackwell, Lucile Clyburn, Evelyn Bruce, Evelyn Moseley, Joe Mogulescu, Rebecca Zemp, Elmer Watts, Louise Trapo Howard Hinson, Hazel Moseley, Moseley Stanley Babin, Willie Gardner, Craig Rush.

The following averaged 90 or above on studies but not on attendance: Eleventh Grade Harriet Lipscomb, Mildred Gardner, Morris Mogulescu, Sallie Hinson, Emily Jenkins, Fran-ces Hough, Sern Nettles Harriet Steedman, Miriam Bruce.

Tenth Grade-Gatewood Workman. Ninth Grade—Jumelle Haile.

Eighth Grade—Mary Helen Johnson, Vera McCaskill, Willie Porter, Williams, Ro Richardson, Ernest Sheheen,

Attendance Honor Roll. The following had no absences during the year: Second Grade—Hazel Morris, Boyd

Trapp, John Flowers, Mary Lee Blakeney, Ora De Stevenson. Third Grade—Talmadge Brown, Henry DeBruhl, Margaret Watts? Fourth Grade-Grayson Perry Threatt, Lillian Hasty, Blanch

McCaskill, Ruby Burns, Genevieve Fifth Grade-Ruth Brown, Ernest Ross, Woodrow Trapp, Trapp, Henry L. Clyburn, Andrew Ben C. Lingle, Laura Moseley, Mattie Shaw, Isla Mae Rhoden Moise Evans, El-

more Brown, J. C. Johnson. Sixth Grade-Inez Gardner, Sarah Moseley, William Blackwell, Morris, Perry Davis, Paul Gardner, Marvin Huckabee, Nannie R. Gardner, Ora Hinson, Nancy Pearce, Catherine Boykin, Pertrell McCaskill.

Evelyn Moseley, Hazel Moseley, Cleo Hasty, Cecil Ammons, Elmer Watts, Joe Moseley.

Eighth Grade-May Shaw, Mary Helen Johnson. Ninth Grade-Evelyn Ward, John Brown.

Tenth Grade-Julia Miles. Eleventh Grade-Christopher aughn, Miriam Bruce.

Grammar School Honor Roll. Those who made the required average during the ninth month are as follows:

First Grade-Sarah Gardner, J. B. Gaskin, Edward Holland, Annie Kelley, Mary Moore, Mary Richey, Annie Every Montgomery, Loma Rose, John D. Shaw, Dihnie Smith, May Nell Trapp, Dorothy Van Landingham, Mary Waters, Dorothy Watts, Elea-nor Watts, Peggy Baldwin, Jennie Cullen, Eleanor Hopkins, Peggy Pitts, Estelle Myers, Dona Mae King, Williams Daniel Carrison, Dorus Houser, Ernest Wooten, J. A. Rast, Roland Moore.

Harvey Davis, Edwin Johnson, Fletcher Moore, Cecil McCaskill, Edward McCaskill, William Thompson, Elizabeth Haynesworth, Mary E. Cirkland, Grace Moseley, Mary E. McCaskill, Kate Shannon, Lorine Strak, Pollye West, Marion Bailey, Herbert Blackwell, Marion Evans, John Flowers, Hamilton Osborne, Bill Rhame, Luther Shaw, Harry Snyder, Mary Lee Blakeney, Esther Furcron, Ruby Gardner, Annette Hasty, Elizabeth Moore, Rosalie Moore, Shirley, Mary E. Wooten, Zeigler, Nataline Zeigler. Third Grade Margaret Mary

Second Grade-James

Betty Carrison, Frances Creed, Elizabeth Gardner, Sarah Kirkland, Meta

HIGHWAY MARKER UNVEILED

Boulder Points The Way of Jefferson Davis Highway.

Tuesday afternoon, June the third, everything was in readiness for the presentation to the city of the boulder, marking the Jefferson Davis Kate Highway on one of Camden's principal streets. But unfortunately the Bill Rhame, Luther Shaw, Golda elements decided to wage war upon Shirley, Mary Wooten, Nataline the efforts and certainly succeeded in casting a damper over the enthusiastic members of the John D. Kennedy chapter U. D. C. who were rejoicing in the successful completion of their labors. They rallied to the standard, however, and carried the exercises through to a finish in spite of the rain and the fact that the speakers were compelled to stand under um-

The handsome boulder placed in Grace Robinson, Alice DePass, Margaret Goodale, Emily Goodale, Margaret McCoy, Eloise Rhoden, Edith Webster, Ruby Burns, Mae Morris, Lois Turner, Leonard Hasty, Clyde Which red and write ribbons, the much loved colors of the Confederacy flew. The chapter appreciated the interest shown by the public in the Caroline large crowd that gathered and the Rhame, Geneva Jones, Caroline large crowd that gathered and the Houser, Ben C. Lingle, Charles Denumber of cars lined up on DeKalb Loache, Henry L. Clyburn, Elizabeth street. It takes more than a downpour of rain to drown the love and Savage, Pearly Welch, Houston Shaw, enthusiasm of a Carolina audience Willie Haile, J. C. Johnson, Eloise for the South and its history, or their admiration for its heroes, civic and military.

The music for the occasion was furnished by Camden's newly organ-Walter Stokes, Duncan Lang, Cath- ized band, of which we are justly proud.

Dr. Edwin Muller made the invo-

cation and Miss Leila Shannon, the former highway chairman, in a beautiful speech told of the highway from ocean to ocean as a memorial to Jefferson Davis passing through every Southern capital, the work of the lower Haughters of the Confederacy. She presented the boulder to the chapter president, Mrs. W. J. Dunn. Mrs. Dunn, whose untiring efforts with the aid of her efficient committee brought the work to completion, Mrs. Dunn receiving graciously and gracefully in a few well chosen remarks. Miss Louise Nettles, a former president was honored by the chapter in being selected to present it to the city. This she did in a few appropriate remarks expressing the love and loyalty of the people of the South for the first and only president of the Southern Confederacy, and looking forward to the time when side by side with Lee in the Nation's Hall of Fame we shall place the statue of our great Civic chieftain, Jefferson Davis. Not until this chapter has been written in the history of the South can it be truthfully said of us, "She hath done what she could."

The honorable H. G. Carrison, Jr., mayor of Camden and the worthy representative of its people received the boulder and in a speech filled with sentiment and patriotism expressed the appreciation of the people. Mr. Carrison introduced the Honorable L. A. Wittkowsky, city attorney, Seventh Grade-Rebecca Zemp, whose splendid address was the feature of the afternoon. Mr. Wittkowsky spoke of the life and service of Jefferson Davis, his loyalty to principles, his fidelity to duty. The boulder stands as a marker on the ocean to ocean highway, that he who rides may read that Camden, South Carolina, honors the memory of Jefferson Davis. Let us hope

That in the future some historian Shall come forth strong and wise, With a love for this republic,

And the truth before his eyes, And will show the subtle causes Of the war between the states; He will go back to his studies

For beyond our modern dates. He will hold the scale of Justice: He will measure praise and blame, And the South will stand the verdict And stand it without shame.

Majestic Closed Next Week.

The Majestic Theatre will be Clyburn, closed all of next week to install a modern cooling system and to put in new seats. On Monday, June 16th, the theatre will re-open for the summer, showing higher class features than ever before during the summer months.

Catches Prize Trout. Mr. T. Lee Little and Dr. R. E. Stevenson lay claim to the largest trout of the season caught at the old Adams' Mill pond Monday afternoon. The big fish weighed nine pounds and seven ounces, and was landed by Mr. Little with an ordinary cane po ing a short line with a B