

# FOUND IN TRUNK

Pool of Blood in Baggage Room Led Police to Investigate.

## MAN HAD BEEN DRUGGED

Widow and Male Escort Vigorously Deny Any Knowledge.—Routting Mistake Causes Discovery.—Mistakenly and Raiment Are Blood Stained in Room in Hotel

A blunder by the murderers in wrongly routing a trunk sent to the union station in Portland, Oregon, was the means late Tuesday of disclosing a ghastly murder. The victim is William Johnson, who, with his wife and seven-year-old son, arrived at Portland on Monday morning in company with a man who went by the name of A. C. Powers. The party registered at a cheap North side hotel, "Powers," as coming from Nome, Alaska. The Johnsons did not give their residence.

Powers, whose real name is J. P. Webb, and Mrs. Johnson, were arrested at an up-town lodging house early Wednesday. They were located through finding the little boy, during the absence of Powers, or Webb, and the woman. They were apprehended as they were returning from an automobile trip to a suburban resort. Both the man and woman, though intoxicated, denied all knowledge of the crime. Webb declared he saw Johnson last at the Union station Tuesday afternoon, waiting for a train to go to Seattle. He asserted Johnson was intoxicated at the time. Nothing important was elicited from either.

On Webb's person was found two watches, one of which Mrs. Johnson identified as her husband's, and two ladies' handkerchiefs, both blood-stained. One of Webb's hands was injured and bandaged. He carried an International Typographical Union card, issued by Vancouver, B. C., local No. 226.

An ordinary-looking trunk was received at the depot late in the day and ordered checked via the Oregon and Washington railroad to North Puget, a station not on that road. Shortly before 10 o'clock Tuesday night the trunk was taken to the platform. There the mistake was noticeable, and it was sent back to the baggage room. A little later one of the baggage men noticed a pool of blood, which had trickled from the trunk broke it open and discovered the body of a man.

Investigation by the detectives developed that the man's name was W. A. Johnson, and a visit to the rooms occupied by him and his family resulted in the discovery that the mattress was saturated with blood and also that blood was spattered over many personal belongings of Johnson.

The detectives believe Johnson was first drugged with the alcohol, then struck over the temple with a "black jack" as he lay on the bed, next shot through the temple, and finally, to make certain, Johnson's negligee shirt had been twisted and tightly knotted about his neck.

Among Johnson's belongings was a large number of cards bearing the name "Miss May Webster," and some of them having the address "315 South Wall Street," and others "1031 Ellis Street," San Francisco. The Wall street address does not name any city, but is believed by the police to be in Spokane, Wash. In "Powers" room a suit case was found containing a black jack clothed with blood and frayed at the end, a bank book of the Scandinavian-American Bank of Seattle, belonging to J. P. Webb, some loose envelopes which had borne the same address, and an International Typographical Union card No. 226, issued by the Vancouver (B. C.), local to J. C. Webb.

According to the clerk of the hotel the trunk left the hotel about the middle of the afternoon. The clerk said he remembered the incident, because the porter commented on its weight, after having carried it to the express wagon. A few minutes later the clerk stated, Mrs. Johnson and her child left the hotel and did not return. About 6 o'clock "Powers" came down, and after saying he was going out for a little while, mentioned that the Johnsons would probably go to Seattle on the night train.

Over \$1,900 in currency was found on Mrs. Johnson. The woman said her husband had recently sold a farm near Seattle, and had entrusted the money to her for safekeeping.

### NEAR ELECTROCUTION.

Mill Operative at Rock Hill Has a Close Call.

W. F. Lucas, an operative at the Highland Park Mill, barely missed being electrocuted Tuesday morning. He was carrying a joint of 1-2 inch iron piping to a water tank, to flash out something which had gotten there, and had the pipe over his shoulder, the free end elevated considerably and the lower end grasped tightly with both hands. He forgot about the naked wire of the Southern Power Company's line running in to supply the mill and carrying 11,000 volts of electricity, and the upper end of the pipe came into contact with it as he passed under. After the contact those who saw it thought Lucas was dead, as they could find no heart-beat, but the physician, who came quickly, found his still alive and at once applied resuscitation. He states that Lucas

# SERVING LONGEST TERM

HIGHLY EDUCATED BLACKS IN THE PENITENTIARY.

Ignorant Negroes Serving Shortest Terms in South Carolina Penitentiary.

Figures that should cause all thoughtful advocates of the so-called higher education among the negro race to ponder yet a little more, have been compiled showing the startling conditions that of the negroes incarcerated within South Carolina State penitentiary those most highly educated are serving the longest sentences. The poor ignorant negroes are imprisoned for the minor crimes and offenses while the negroes who have had a school or college education are the life-timers and the "over-ten-year" prisoners.

That this is the condition also in the county chaingangs and on the public works of the counties and in the jails throughout the state is the opinion of Commissioner E. J. Watson, of the department of agriculture, commerce and industries, by which department the figures were compiled.

Asked for an explanation of the compilation and the possible reasons for the condition shown to exist Commissioner Watson stated Tuesday that the figures showed beyond reasonable doubt that the academic education is not the thing for the negro. Commissioner Watson advocates education of the negro along industrial lines and thinks that the negro should also have sufficient schooling to be able to keep the accounts on the farm. Summing up the situation the commissioner said that the proper education of the negro is to further his usefulness in the industrial world by means of proper instruction in subjects that tend to increase his manual efficiency.

The commissioner and his assistants had a wide field to base their compilations upon for there were 535 negro prisoners examined, of this number 479 being males and 56 being females.

The total number of male life prisoners is 256 of the negro race. Of this number 10 read and write without attending school. One hundred and seven attended the common schools from one to ten years. Seventeen attended school less than one year. Six attended college. The summary shows 123 who cannot read and write and 133 who can read and write.

Of the female colored prisoners who are serving life sentence, the total 11. None read and write without attending school. Five attended common school 1 to 10 years and none of those who attended school did so for one year or less. Two of the life prisoners among the colored women attended college. There are four who cannot read and write and 7 who can read and write.

A further analysis of these figures shows that there is altogether 267 life terms of the 536 negro prisoners at the penitentiary, reformatory and state farm. That of this number 140 can read and write, 8 attended college and less than one half of the total number cannot read and write.

### FLEEING CONVICTS SHOT.

Convicts Make a Break for Liberty But are Downed by Guards.

Two young white men, Garfield Hutchins and Lindsey Huffman were shot while attempting to get away from convict camp on the Lew- Monday morning, and it is said that Hutchins may die. The men slipped away from convict camp near Winston-Salem Monday, and it is said ran into a cornfield a distance about forty yards when Guards Griffin and Dull fired on them, dropping them instantly.

Hutchins, who is rather well-known hereabouts and who was on a thirty months term for robbery on the street while impersonating an officer, was struck in the back of the head by a load of buckshot. He was huried to the Twin City hospital at Winston-Salem and Dr. E. P. Gray attended him. The physician said the man would scarcely recover.

### DOUBLE KILLING.

Two Killed at Greenville Within Few Minutes.

Two murders, occurring within a few minutes of each other created intense excitement at Greenville early Tuesday.

Peter Rowley, a well known citizen, was shot and killed at a disorderly house by O. L. Godfrey, a horse dealer from Spartanburg. According to the report of the police Rowley was refused admittance to the house, but later succeeded in gaining entrance and picked a quarrel with Godfrey, in which the latter is said to have shot in self-defense.

The second killing occurred near the Southern railway station, when a negro named Bob Calhoun, shot and instantly killed another negro, Will Brown in a fight over a woman.

# SHOT INTO CROWD

ONE RECEIVES PAINFUL WOUND WITH SLUG.

Two of Posse Fired at Him But it is Not Known That He Was Hit. Woman is Arrested.

A dispatch from Walterboro says that at Williams on Saturday night at 10 o'clock Dr. S. E. Kinsey was shot and seriously wounded by Joe Freeman, a negro.

Saturday afternoon Dr. Kinsey's son was standing at the door of the store of Quinn Bros. when Lena Freeman, a negro woman, came up the steps to enter the store door and said to Mr. Kinsey: "Some one wants to come in." Mr. Kinsey stepped out of the way and looking back saw this negro woman.

He expected to see some white woman enter, and jokingly remarked that he thought it was somebody. The negro took out a knife from her pocket and began to abuse Mr. Kinsey, who insisted that she hush and stated to her that he did not mean any harm by the remark, which was jokingly made.

She continued her abuse and left the store shortly, and going to her home, returned with her husband, Joe Freeman, she carrying a gun. Mr. Kinsey was informed of this fact and went to his home and returned with his gun, which he put in Mr. Brabham's store. His father hearing of this came over to the store and instructed his son to put the gun up and go to Magistrate Wilson and take out a warrant for the negroes and have them arrested. This Mr. Kinsey did and turned the warrant over to Constable Maxey, who went over to Williams to make the arrest. Maxey appointed Dr. Kinsey and others as special constables to aid him in making the arrest.

The party proceeded to the home of the Freemans, but just before reaching it, they were informed that Joe Freeman was back at the store of Quinn Bros. with his gun. They returned to the store and attempted to arrest him, who seeing the party approach ran. They went back to the home, where the woman was arrested. After securing her they started to leave and Joe Freeman appeared behind a clump of bushes near the house crying: "Get out of there."

At the same time he shot into the crowd, the shot taking effect just above Dr. Kinsey's hip. The negro then made his escape into the darkness. Dr. Kinsey was taken back home and was attended. It was found that the gun had been loaded with a slug, but fortunately the load produced only painful flesh wounds.

Efforts were made Sunday morning to catch Freeman and he was seen several times by the pursuing party, but owing to the thickness of the undergrowth in the bays near Williams, he has so far eluded capture.

### SWELTER AND SIZZLE.

Hapless New Yorkers Cringe Beneath the Hot Weather.

Hapless New Yorkers sizzled and sweated Tuesday while the mercury climbed steadily until it attained a maximum of 90 degrees by official readings at 2:45 p. m., a high mark for the year. Thermometers on the street ranged as high as 98 and three deaths directly due to the heat were recorded. More than 30 persons were prostrated.

Excessive humidity added to the tortures of the year's hottest day. In the congested districts the suffering was intense and hospital ambulances were kept busy caring for the stricken.

In Bayonne, N. J., five men were prostrated, two of whom are expected to die.

At Minola, L. I., during a parade and contest of Long Island volunteer firemen, half a dozen firemen were overcome and several spectators were prostrated.

### LIGHTNING STRIKES NEGRO.

Strikes Shoes from His Feet but Negro is Unharmed.

Lightning struck the shanks of William Graham, a negro, Sunday afternoon at Winston-Salem and stripped him of his shoes and socks, not injuring him, however, in any way, outside of mental anguish, so to speak, for William was surely scared. His wife, who was in the room at the time was also uninjured. The lightning ran down the chimney during the severe electrical storm which swept through that city, and tore up the bureau, before it divested William of his shoes and stockings, besides ripping his drawers also from the ankle to the knee. Many persons in the neighborhood visited the scene and William showed them corroborating garments.

### PECULIAR TRAGEDY.

Woman Accidentally Shoots Boarder in Her House.

Dennis Reed, aged 25, a boarder in the home of J. J. Flowers, at Bluefield, W. Va., was accidentally shot and killed by Mrs. Flowers at her residence Monday. Mrs. Flowers was talking to Reed and said she intended getting a gun to kill some chickens. When she returned with the weapon, Reed threw up his hands in a feigning manner, saying: "I am not guilty." The gun was discharged and Reed fell dead. Mrs. Flowers said she did not know the gun was loaded and is frantic over the affair. The woman's husband was asleep in the house at the time.

# TRAGIC END

Tailor is Murdered in His Store in Business Section of Charleston.

## ROBBERY THE MOTIVE

Assailant, and Suspected Robber, Makes Good His Escape After Attacking Storekeeper in Middle of Day.—Victim Carried to Hospital Where He Died a Little Later.

Max Lubelsky, of 543 King St., Charleston, tailor and clothier, aged 37 years, was found in a dying condition at his store Tuesday morning at about 11:45 o'clock, by Max Posner, of 56 Line street, with three ugly wounds in the back of the head, evidently inflicted with a large sial, found lying in the vicinity of the body, in the hands of a party or parties as yet unknown. The desperately wounded man was rushed to the hospital in a police ambulance, but died from hemorrhage and a fractured skull at 1:19 o'clock P. M. A rifled cash drawer found in the rear of the premises, and the disappearance of several articles and valuables from the store, led the police to believe that the motive for the murder was robbery.

The killing caused a sensation throughout the city, especially among the Jewish population in the upper part of town. A number of friends of the dead man have offered a reward of \$500 for the capture of the guilty party.

Max Posner, a peddler, was the first came to discover Lubelsky lying on the floor of his own store. He stated to the police that he entered the establishment at about 11:30 o'clock, in company with his little daughter, to whom he wished to show some chickens and pigeons which he had sold Lubelsky several weeks ago. Finding the store apparently deserted, Posner walked into the yard, in search of his friend. He came back and took a seat in the middle of the store. Suddenly his eyes beheld a steady stream of blood running towards him from beneath a counter on the opposite side of the store, and upon examination he found Lubelsky in a half sitting posture between the second and third counters. He tried to get the wounded man to talk, but was unsuccessful, and immediately went in search of assistance. A physician arrived on the scene in answer to a hurry summons, and was followed immediately by officers.

The wounded man was sent to the hospital in a police ambulance. Several doctors took up the work of attempting to save his life, but all efforts proved to be useless, and he died in about one hour's time without having regained consciousness.

John Cross, a driver for a city express concern, delivered a box of dry goods to the Lubelsky establishment at about 11:15 o'clock, placing the box in front of the store. Cross then went inside for the purpose of having his book receipted for the goods, and was met by a negro, who told him that he, the porter, had been left in charge of the establishment while Lubelsky had stepped across the street. After a several minutes wait, Cross left, stating that he would be in again for the purpose of having the book signed. The police believe that the unknown negro had already overpowered Lubelsky when Cross entered the store, and on being interrupted by the latter, had bodily declared himself as being the porter of the establishment.

### SHOOTS AT INVALID.

Negro Enters Sick Woman's Room and Fires When Seen.

While the family of Mrs. C. V. Adamson, of Macon, Ga., were seated at supper, Mrs. Adamson's daughter, who had been sick for some time, was eating her supper in bed in a nearby room. She happened to glance upward and saw a big yellow negro standing at the side of her bed, fumbling between the mattress. She screamed to alarm the household, and the burglar, instead of making his escape as quickly as possible, pulled out a pistol that he had found under the mattress and deliberately shot at her. The bullet passed through her hair and buried itself in the head of her bed, and the negro, hastily springing over the bed on which the sick woman was lying, jumped out of the window and made his escape. The pistol was found on the grass near the house, where he had thrown it.

### DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

Farmer Slaes Tenant and Wounds the Latter's Mother.

Asbury Spicer, a well-to-do farmer of Breathitt county, Tenn., and once a prominent figure in the Hargis feud, Monday shot and killed Judge Fugate, a tenant on Asbury's farm and wounded Fugate's mother. The killing occurred in the country and the first known of it was when Spicer telephoned in that he had killed Fugate and had shot his mother and was coming to Jackson to give himself up. Neither the extent of Mrs. Fugate's injuries or the cause of the trouble is known.

### DROWNED DURING GALE.

The body of Dr. L. L. Lusk, was found in the lake of Seventy-fifth street, Chicago, Monday. He is believed to have been drowned by the capsizing of a sailboat on Saturday during a gale.

# ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS

AMOUNTS FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND SITES.

Columbia Gets Appropriation of \$75,000 for New Site.—Camden and Bennettsville Each \$50,000.

A Washington dispatch says that President Taft will affix his signature, during the next day or two, to the public building bill of the present session, just passed, and within a short time a large amount of money will be spent, in different parts of the United States, in the erection of Federal buildings.

A careful inspection of the figures shows that South Carolina has a been well-provided for, the following being the provisions. Camden, \$50,000; Gaffney, \$10,000; Orangeburg, \$10,000; Columbia, \$75,000; Bennettsville, \$50,000; Marion, \$7,500; Laurens and Union, each \$10,000; Newberry, \$10,000.

While the members of the South Carolina delegation worked hard to secure these amounts, credit should be given Representative Johnson of Spartanburg, a member of the House committee on buildings and grounds, for his work. As the matter stands now every city and town in South Carolina which, under the law, is entitled to receive a Federal building, either has one completed, under construction, or authorized.

The Columbia appropriation is for the purchase of a new building site. The amounts of less than \$50,000 are in addition to provisions made for the cities in former bills.

### BURNED TO DEATH.

Young Man Dead and Brother Injured in Morning Fire.

James West, twenty-years old, was burned to death, and his brother, Edward, eighteen-years-old, was seriously injured, at the result of a fire which destroyed a boarding house at Hattiesburg, Miss., early Tuesday. The latter leaped from a second-story window, breaking several bones and probably injuring himself internally. The charred body of his brother was later found in the ruins. Other inmates of the house escaped without injury.

### SCARBOROUGH FILES PLEDGE.

Clarendon Legislator Out for Railroad Commissioner. His Public Record.

Mr. O. C. Scarborough of Summerton has filed his pledge as a candidate for railroad commissioner. Mr. Scarborough is regarded as one of the leading candidates in this race. He has for two terms represented Clarendon county in the House of Representatives and his energy and interest in his work are proverbial among his fellow-members.

Mr. Scarborough is a native of Darlington county, but removed to Sumter county when a youth. He was intendat of Bishopville before that town became the county seat of Lee county and while school trustee there was instrumental in the organization of the Bishopville graded school. Since moving to Summerton about twelve years ago he has served as a school trustee there also and has been active in the building up of a graded school and the establishment a few years ago of the high school under the Nash act, for which he voted as a member of the legislature.

Mr. Scarborough is a successful farmer who conducts his operations on business principles. He has farms in Clarendon, Sumter and Darlington. He was one of the most active members of the Southern Cotton Association a few years ago attending the meetings at Asheville and New Orleans. He is a tireless worker and will make it interesting for the other contestants in the race for railroad commissioner.—Columbia Record.

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